

WEATHER FORECASTS  
Victoria and vicinity—Strong easterly winds or gales; rather cold, with some sleet or drizzle before night.  
Vancouver and vicinity—Strong easterly winds or moderate gales; cloudy and colder, with snow flurries, turning to rain, at night.

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## The Colonist Wishes All A Happy New Year

### REFUGEES STREAMING TO TURKISH CAPITAL FROM STRICKEN AREAS

Injured Find Refuge at Ankara—New Violent Shocks Occur, Hampering Rescue Work—Casualty Lists Grow as Low Temperature Claims More Victims of Disaster

ANKARA, Turkey, Dec. 30 (AP).—Injured refugees from earthquake-torn Anatolia streamed into Ankara today by thousands, with stark tales of disaster wrought by earth shocks and cold. New violent shocks occurred for the fourth consecutive day, impeding rescuers but adding little damage to Wednesday's havoc in which officials reported at least 40,000 were killed in Erzinjan Province alone.

Survivors told, with accents of horror, how the earthquake of early Wednesday morning shattered their homes during a raging blizzard.

### DIE IN SHELTER

Many who escaped to the open, they said, were forced by the cold to seek shelter in what was left of ruined buildings—only to be killed when further shocks crumbled the structures.

Others who fled to the fields perished there in the bitter cold. With temperatures in some places as low as 25 to 30 below zero, the casualty list continued to swell as snow and quake-blocked railways and roads kept rescue workers out of many districts.

Airplanes flew over the Erzinjan area, dropping food, fuel and clothing.

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### SEAWAY PLAN MOVES AHEAD

Waterways Treaty May Be Presented for Ratification At Next Session

(Special to The Colonist) OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—A Canada-United States treaty for the St. Lawrence deep waterways project most probably will be submitted to Parliament at the coming session for ratification, it was learned tonight in authoritative quarters.

Renewal of formal negotiations with Washington on the enterprise involving the expenditure of more than \$500,000,000 has been set for early next month. Impetus to the plan has developed within the last week by the drafting of an agreement by the Federal authorities with the Hepburn Government in Ontario governing the distribution of power between Ontario and New York State, which is to be submitted for ratification shortly at the session of the Ontario Legislature opening next month.

From high sources it is learned that the newly-elected Godbout Liberal Administration in Quebec will place no handicap in the way of implementing the plan.

WORK FOR CANADIANS While the United States will largely finance the main and early stages of construction, it is understood one of the important clauses of the treaty will provide for large-scale developments of labor. Several thousand men will be required and a "fair proportion" will be Canadians.

War supply needs, to put the full force of Canadian industry behind Continued on Page 17, Column 5

### FRENCH BUDGETS PASS PARLIAMENT

Civil and Military Appropriations Approved and House Ends Special Session

PARIS, Dec. 31 (AP).—Parliament adjourned its extraordinary session early today after adopting before the year-end deadline civil and military budgets totaling approximately 329,000,000,000 francs (about \$700,000,000) for 1940.

The original budgets for 1939 were 32,000,000,000 francs (about \$2,000,000,000).

The new budget provides 248,111,000,000 francs (nearly \$5,500,000,000) for war purposes, all to be obtained by public subscription. The strictly civil budget provides 79,889,000,000 francs (more than \$1,500,000,000).

### WRECKAGE FOUND TO BE DISLODGED TANK

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30 (AP).—Airplane "wreckage" found in the Florida Keys was identified today as only the dislodged fuel tank of an army bomber. The three-day mystery was solved after Peace Justice E. R. Lane brought the evidence bearing on "the lost" plane to Miami.

After examining it, Captain J. M. Fitzmaurice, in command of planes stationed at the Miami Municipal Airport for neutrality patrol duty, said the "wreckage" was a fuel tank released by an army bomber about a month ago.

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### Visits Canadians in Royal Air Force



The Canadian Air Unit in Great Britain Received a Surprise Visit Recently From Hon. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner in London for Canada. This Photograph Shows Mr. Massey Chatting With Some of the Canadian Officers at an Aerodrome in the North of England.

### TROOP TRAIN IS WRECKED

Express Crashes Into Special at Naples—Many Soldiers Killed

NAPLES, Dec. 30 (AP).—A cold wave sweeping Italy was blamed today for the collision of a passenger train and a troop train which caused between fourteen and forty deaths.

An official announcement said that fourteen were killed and thirty injured in the wreck at the Torre Annunziata station, but rescue workers declared that about forty bodies had been taken from the wreckage and that 150 persons were injured.

A special train loaded with troops had been ordered to proceed to the next station, the announcement said, when snow and ice prevented operation of a switch, which would have side-tracked the troop train to clear the track for an express.

A signal was fixed to show the track was blocked by the troop train, but the express ran through, plunging into the rear of the special which was just starting.

Among the soldiers were many high-ranking officers.

The lowest temperatures in ten years were reported throughout Italy with snow almost everywhere.

### Withdrawn From Border Of Hongkong

HONGKONG, Dec. 31 (AP).—After four months' occupation of the Chinese territory paralleling the Hongkong border, Japanese army forces completed today a withdrawal which was prompted, according to their official announcement, "out of friendliness toward Great Britain."

The departing troops were believed destined to strengthen a force pushing northward from Canton against the main army of the Chinese provincial army in Kwangtung.

"I visited the men in the trenches," he said, "but all services were held in buildings fitted up as improvised chapels."

"Men of the Royal Engineers gave the places a suitable appearance by rigging up an altar and providing chairs. Sometimes we were able to borrow a piano. One service was held in a cinema, where an altar was placed in front of a screen, and another in a garage."

While talking with British soldiers before and after the eleven services he conducted, Dr. Batty was particularly struck by the friendly relations between the men and the French villagers.

"The only comment I heard from the men which rather reflected their spirit," he said, "was 'we came out here for war, and we want to know when it is going to begin.'"

### LORD OF ADMIRALTY VISITS CONTROL PORT

WEYMOUTH, England, Dec. 30 (AP).—Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, today visited this contraband control port. Later he drove to Portland with high naval officers for luncheon and a tour of navy posts there.

### RED ARMY ON CENTRAL FRONT PUT TO FULL ROUT BY FINNS

Retreating Russians Third Force to Be Hurled Back Onto Soviet Soil—Defenders Prepare to Meet New Offensive as Seasoned Campaigners Are Ordered Into Action by Moscow

### Murmansk-Leningrad Line Reported Cut in Three Places

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 30 (AP).—Finland's warriors of the snows today flung a third Red Russian army back onto Soviet soil—in full rout—and faced the new year exultant in the strength they have shown to the world. The Finns got much pleasure out of knowing that the world now was asking: "What's wrong with the Russian army?" Realistically, however, many feared a great battle was imminent, with experienced Soviet troops reported moving up front to replace conscripts under cover of continual artillery bombardment of the isthmus.

Russian strategists also were using captive balloons for the first time to spy out Finnish positions, hidden in the thick woods of the isthmus.

### THREATENING NEW ATTACKS

Goering Speaks of Bombing England—Hitler Outlines His War Aims

BERLIN, Dec. 31 (AP).—Adolf Hitler proclaimed a new war aim today, prophesied that the Jewish capitalist world will not survive the twentieth century, and expressed faith in a German war victory in 1940, "the most decisive year in German history."

His new war aim was "prevention of a still greater injustice" which he said the Western Powers planned to substitute for the Versailles Peace Treaty imposed on Germany at the end of the Great War.

Later today, Field Marshal Hermann Goering, in the newspaper Voelkischer Beobachter, made the first admission from a German source that mine-laying airplanes are being used by Germany.

A GERMAN THREAT His article also included a threat that "when the German Air Force counter-attacks it will make an assault, such as world history never has experienced," on Great Britain.

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### Takes Ride on Cow-Catcher Unexpectedly

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 30 (AP).—Seated at his desk, Jay J. Martin, steel company executive, heard a crash and looked up.

A locomotive ploughed through the wall, picked him out of his chair and deposited him on the "cow-catcher" and then crashed through a partition with him. The worst he suffered was a fractured ankle.

The engineer, who jumped just before the locomotive crashed the wall, said the throttle apparently stuck and the engine, a narrow-gauge "dinky," jumped the track and plunged into the nearby office building where Martin was seated.

They are so few because British ships are maneuvered so skillfully that U-boat commanders can rarely achieve the right approach. Warships are also built with underwater protection which prevents the force of explosion putting them out of action.

### FIRE IN HOSPITAL

BEIRUT, Syria, Dec. 30 (AP).—Fire tonight destroyed two floors of the American Hospital here. No one was injured.

### Finns and Russians Fighting Guerrilla War in Bitter Cold

Blinding Snow and Sub-Zero Temperatures Confront Invader and Defender in Arctic Wastes—Wounded Invariably Freeze to Death in Open

WITH THE FINNISH ARCTIC ARMY, NEAR KEMIJAAERVI, Dec. 30 (By Wireless).—For two days the writer has been at the front with an advance post of the Finnish Arctic Army. From a hut somewhere between Kemijarvi and Salla, I have been watching the Finns conducting a remarkable war successfully against overwhelming Russian forces in winter cold, 30 degrees below zero, and amid blinding snow.

The front line here is even less of a line than the Mannerheim line in Karelia. It is a no man's land, a vast area of forests filled with Finnish and Russian patrols that are continually meeting and dueling in the bitterest weather conditions of any war ever fought.

When the sun creeps up at noon the fighting begins. I saw some action yesterday as a few hundred metres from my hut. Two days before the Russians had attempted

### EDISON BECOMES NAVY SECRETARY

Roosevelt Places Son of Late Inventor in Vacant Cabinet Post—His Experience

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP).—President Roosevelt advanced Charles Edison to Secretary of the United States Navy today, putting an end to speculation over the delayed choice for the Cabinet post vacated by the death last July of Secretary Claude Swanson.

Assistant Secretary for more than three years, Edison had been acting head of the Navy Department for nearly six months.

Edison, wealthy son of the famous electrical inventor, Thomas A. Edison, has supervised the navy's inventive workshop building programme as assistant secretary since November 17, 1938.

## Home Building for Two Years Closely Follow Each Other

Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt Continued During Twelve Months to Attract Residents, Who Expend Over a Million in New Dwellings

THE building records for the year 1939 show that the suburban districts about Victoria fell off slightly in the matter of home building, as compared with 1938. The variation is a slight one taking into account the total amount involved and is such as might be expected to fall one way or the other over any two-year term. The three municipalities of Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, however, the very large increase in the expenditures in Esquimalt in the naval and army services were taken into account, the figures would far exceed the expenditures

for 1938 in building. These expenditures on the services are not subject to record in the Municipal Hall, however.

Saanich again leads in the value of improvements in building, with 498 permits taken out in the year just closed, compared with 531 in the preceding twelve months. The total value of the permits amounts to \$549,452, as compared with a total valuation of \$552,503 for 1938. There were 234 dwellings included among these. The permits in 1939 represented a value of \$483,330 for houses, or an average of \$2,065.51. For 1938 there were 262 dwellings, representing a value of \$481,508, or an average of \$1,837.80.

### OAK BAY RECORD

Oak Bay in the year 1939 issued 186 permits valued at \$467,751, and of these 107 were for houses representing a value of \$426,075, or an average of \$3,982 each. In 1938 there were 210 permits issued, representing \$499,440, and of these 138 were for

## To Hold Inquest On Tuesday Into Death of Chinese

D. R. E. C. Hart, the coroner, will hold an inquest in the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning into the death of Loy Hoy, Chinese, from injuries received on Friday night when struck on Government Street by an automobile police car. The car was in charge of William Gordon Vance. In the city police court yesterday morning, Vance pleaded guilty to a charge of being intoxicated while in control of an automobile and was remanded until Tuesday. Claude L. Harrison, city prosecutor, asked for the remand in stating that he intended to investigate further.

houses valued at \$451,310, or an average value of \$3,270.

In Esquimalt in 1939 fifty-eight permits were taken out, representing a value of \$70,497, while in 1938 there were sixty-eight permits for a total of \$61,566. In the case of Esquimalt, there has, however, during the past year been very large building expenditures in connection with naval and army services which are not recorded in the offices of the municipality, being carried out directly by the services without the taking out of local permits.

### DECEMBER'S BUILDING

For the month of December the records show marked activity continuing in building in the suburban sections of Greater Victoria. In Saanich during the month just closed there were twenty-nine permits taken out, representing a value of \$27,390, of which eleven were for dwellings valued at \$24,400. For the corresponding month of 1938, there were twenty-five permits taken out, representing \$14,928. Of these, ten were for dwellings valued at \$12,183.

In Oak Bay in December of this year ten permits were taken out, representing a value of \$48,550, as compared with seven permits taken out in December of last year with a value of \$23,800.

In Esquimalt there were two permits taken out in December, 1939, with a value of \$1,825, as compared with six permits taken out in December, 1938, with a value of \$7,200. During the past week one permit was taken out in Oak Bay for a new home to be erected at 858 Hampshire Rd. for E. H. Pope, containing five rooms and valued at \$3,000.

In Saanich a ten-roomed home valued at \$5,000 will be erected off Qu'Appelle Street. George Farmer will build a four-roomed home on Lodge Avenue at a cost of \$1,600.

## FRENCH SEE WAR SETTLED BY ARMS

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merely a manifestation of the peculiar military spirit, for fully 75 per cent of the officers with whom I have come in contact are reservists, who only four months ago were busily carrying on their trade or professions.

### POWERFUL FORCES

Many civilians have a tendency to compare this war with the Spanish war in which each contestant is afraid to lead for fear of opening his guard to a painful counter-blow. But the army knows that it is locked in a death struggle with a powerful adversary and that the first fighter who succeeds in clutching the other's throat will win.

Civilians are inclined to speculate on the possibility of ending the war by some arrangement or compromise, or diplomatic finesse. But the army is unanimous in the conviction that the issue will be decided, as in 1918, on the battlefield.

Wishful thinkers among civilians keep predicting an internal crack-up of Hitlerism as a prelude to a military debacle. The army reverses the terms and predicts that a military defeat will cause the collapse of German dictatorship.

Which of these views is true—the military or civilian—is not for this writer to judge, but this much may be said for the army's—it is staking its life on it. And it may be taken for granted that the German spirit of domination which gambled all on this conflict will not abandon its designs unless forcibly compelled to do so.

## REFUGEES THROUG TURKISH CAPITAL

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ing to groups huddled in the open. All New Year's celebrations were cancelled as the nation concentrated upon relief.

The first thousand of victims, all needing surgical attention, included one general and other high-ranking officers of the Turkish Army.

### PLANES DROP FOOD

Military planes flew over Erzurum, dropping bundles of food and clothing to survivors who huddled half-naked in snow-covered fields.

General Kismat Orkay was in charge of aiding survivors and digging victims from ruined buildings. Rescue of many persons in the isolated districts appeared hopeless as snow continued to block highway and rail communications. Officials said children and women particularly were falling victims to the continued bitter cold.

The entire Turkish nation was mobilized for relief, and help was sent from other countries. It was announced that Great Britain contributed £100,000 (\$445,000).

## CITY LANDS DEPARTMENT SHOWS GAIN

Total Revenue of \$133,126 Is Highest Recorded Since Year 1927

### LAND SALE PLAN TO SPUR NEW BUILDING

Total revenue of the city lands department for 1939 was the highest since 1927, according to a report of Alderman R. A. C. Dewar, chairman of the City Council lands committee. Other members of the group in charge of the department are: Aldermen B. J. Gladson, Archie Wills and John A. Worthington. Major M. Kirkpatrick Crockett is the commissioner.

Sales, rentals and other sources produced a total lands department revenue of \$133,126 during 1939, compared with \$92,310 in 1938.

During the past year, 135 property sales produced \$91,670, compared with 108 sales netting \$46,608 in 1938.

### TO BUILD HOMES

In the majority of cases, those purchasing lots from the city announced their intention to erect dwellings.

Alderman Dewar was of the opinion that a recent by-law offering 400 city lots at \$50 each to prospective home builders would result in considerable new construction next year.

Sale of the lots will commence as soon as the by-law is approved by the Minister of Finance at Ottawa. Acceptance of the by-law by the Federal Government will also mean tax rebates for those who have constructed new dwellings since June 1, 1938, or who plan to build before May 31, 1940.

## CITY BIRTHS MAKE RECORD

Figures Show 448 Boys and 428 Girls, 101 More Than Last Year

Births in Victoria during the past year created a record in history of the city. Vital statistics showed that 448 boys and 428 girls saw the light of day, a total of 876 babies, 101 more than 1938.

Eight sets of healthy twins were born during the year, which medical circles consider the average number for the city's population. At the Jubilee Hospital 224 boys and 219 girls were born, a total of 443, compared with 379 in 1938. St. Joseph's Hospital ushered into the world 223 boys and 209 girls, a total of 432, compared with 396 last year.

Two of the sets of twins were born at St. Joseph's Hospital, and the remaining six at the Jubilee Hospital.

## OUTLOOK FOR YEAR APPEARS BRIGHTER

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entirely fulfilled, the passing months witnessed definite and fairly steady improvement. The depression had not been without its salutary effect. Reduced volume of available business required greater efficiency in both production and marketing, dead wood was eliminated, and in privately-owned and controlled enterprises extravagance generally gave place to sounder and relatively more profitable administration. The planning outlook for 1939 received confirmation from early prospects of excellent crops in the West, and as this hope was later fulfilled, business received considerable impetus. Undoubtedly this would have gone further than it did had it not been for the world-wide apprehension consequent upon the evident determination of Germany to achieve her supremely selfish and illegal aims even at the cost of throwing the world back into the chaos and miseries of a great war. This was the brake and in the light of later events it is perhaps well that it acted in that way. Had we gone into this war committed to wide domestic industrial expansion and to vast building projects the change over to wartime conditions would have brought far more dislocation and costly disruption than did take place. As it happened the turnover was not violent, and after four months of war we find that the gen-

eral business of the country has not been greatly disturbed, and that, in the main, progress towards improved conditions has been maintained.



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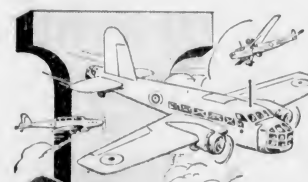
Of course these two remarkable offers are only examples of the splendid values offered throughout the Scurrah Store during this January Selling Event. There are groups of Dresses starting as low as \$7.95. Our finest Coats at regular prices up to \$65.00, now at \$14.75, as well as remarkable values in Sweaters and Hats.

### COATS

A wonderful lot of fur-trimmed and untrimmed coats in boucle cloths and tweeds. Former prices in this group up to \$39.75, now all to go at only

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shall welcome them the more warmly when they cross the border. As I have intimated, prophecies regarding the progress of affairs over the coming year may prove to be of little value, and yet, I think, it is safe to say that the outlook on the whole is encouraging if not inspiring. The war is our great task. In united effort and sustained courage such as this nation has more than once shown, we shall come to the end of the year a greater and better people on account of the difficulties we have met and overcome.

## GIVEN POWER TO CALL TO SERVICE

King Passes Authority to Ministry To Allow for Fixing of Registration Dates

LONDON Dec. 30 (AP)—The King will give authority to the Ministry of Labor and National Service to call up for military service additional men between the ages of eighteen and forty-one, it was learned authoritatively today.

The proclamation, it said, will be issued early in the new year, conferring on the ministry a power reserved to the Crown in three previous calls for men.

Purpose of the change was understood to be to enable the ministry to fix registration dates for several age groups within a short period without having to await a Royal proclamation for each one.

### THE ROYAL VISIT

No review of the year would be complete without a reference to the visit of Their Majesties the King and Queen to this country during the Summer. Their advent among us had a profound effect in tending to bring varied elements of our people closer to themselves and to the throne, thereby drawing closer bonds of Canadian unity. The event also cheered and heartened our people then emerging from depression, so that a definite reaction was felt in the way of business improvement across the country. For over a month the eyes of the world were upon us as never before, and what Canada has to offer was that much the better and more widely realized. That the visit was a complete success was largely due to the compelling charm and graciousness of Their Majesties.

The country's railways are now faced with a more grim and more exacting task as a result of the war. Demands made upon them will be heavy and exacting, but I anticipate that they will be met in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. Speaking for the company I have the honor to represent, I have no hesitation in saying that its efficiency has been added during the year and standards of operation have been more than maintained.

The past year was notable for the volume of its tourist traffic, particularly from the United States, and there is reason to hope that of the coming year will be equally satisfactory. Canadians are strongly appreciative of the sympathetic attitude displayed by our American neighbors towards us in regard to the war, and on that account we

## Wednesday to See Large Number of Pupils in School

CITY public schools, Victoria High School and Central Junior High School will reopen at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning to admit 5,000 pupils who have enjoyed a vacation since December 15. School Trustees Frederick A. Wills, Frank G. Mulliner, J. B. McMillan and William A. Bayliss will take their oath of office before Judge H. H. Shandley on Tuesday morning. The 1940 School Board inaugural meeting will take place at 8 o'clock Wednesday night.

### PROPHETIES FULFILL

In so far as it is possible, it is to be hoped events will so shape themselves that Canada may continue to conduct her domestic affairs upon

# Bankers Foresee Wartime Era of Trade Prosperity

**Demand for British Columbia Products to Aid the Motherland and Allies Expected to Cause Substantial Development—Momentous Year in Canadian History Draws to Close**

WHILE deploring the state of war in which the Empire is now involved, Victoria bankers, in messages issued on the eve of the New Year, foresee a wartime era of prosperity for Canada as a whole and British Columbia in particular, in the stimulus given to industry by the demands of the Motherland for supplies of minerals and fishing, agricultural and forest products.

The year now drawing to a close is reviewed by the bank managers as one of the most momentous in the history of the Dominion, bringing with it the visit of the King and Queen to the North American Continent to cement the ties between Canada and Great Britain and the bond of friendship between the Dominion and the United States.

Following are the messages:

**BANK OF MONTREAL**

"It seems at the present time is opportune to repeat the opening words of the bank's president at the recently-held annual meeting. Any remarks I may make today must be considered in the light of the conditions brought about by the war and our first aim must be to assist to the limits of our abilities in the winning of the war."

**Conditions in Canada**

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## Shows Efficiency of Army Bridge



The Royal Engineers, at a School of Military Engineering Somewhere in England, Built This Small Box Girder Bridge Over a Gully and Then Drove a Heavy Army Transport Across to Show the Bridge's Efficiency.

"In the City of Victoria retail and wholesale trade has been good over the twelve-month period, and while there was some disappointment as regards the tourist trade last summer, the number of visitors was large and the relative expenditure substantial. It is most interesting to learn that steps are already being taken by the Publicity Bureau of Victoria to put forth the attractions of Victoria and Vancouver Island to tourists in Canada and the United States who have been in the habit of going overseas during the vacation period.

"Operations in connection with the refunding plan of the City of Victoria are fulfilling the expectations of the Mayor and City Council, whose policy has greatly strengthened the financial position of the city.

**The Future**

"To pause and survey what is taking place in other parts of the world is to realize that our life in Victoria has hardly been disturbed. In the midst of the stress of war one cannot make predictions with any degree of accuracy, except to share the confidence of those whose knowledge places them in a position to speak with authority. Where they say that Canada will emerge a nation, one at heart, but more mature in thought and aspiration.

**The Season's Greetings**

"We would like to thank The Daily Colonist sincerely for again giving us an opportunity of expressing to customers, friends and those from overseas who have recently taken up permanent or temporary residence in Victoria, the heartiest of good wishes which, we believe, can be summed up as 'A speedy and successful termination of the terrible conflict now taking place.'"

"G. H. HARMAN,  
"Manager."

**ROYAL BANK OF CANADA**

"Another year draws to a close, and in spite of the fact that the Empire has been at war for four months, Victoria businessmen have had little to complain of, when the results of the year are considered as a whole. In fact, business has been particularly good since wartime conditions have been accepted as our lot.

"We are fortunate in that, being so far from the actual war zone, business has suffered less inconvenience than might have been expected. However, Victoria is prepared, as in the last year, to assume its share of any burden that Canada may be called upon to bear before the conflict is over.

"The success of the joint drive for funds for the Community Chest of Greater Victoria and the Red Cross Society, which was carried through last month, is a tangible evidence of the interest of our people in local as well as national matters.

"The Province of British Columbia has the natural resources to supply large quantities of lumber, fish and minerals essential for the successful prosecution of the war, and we, as residents of British Columbia, will continue to benefit from the production of these while doing an essential work.

**Industry Occupied**

"It is true that a number of industrial enterprises have suffered as a result of wartime restrictions, yet on the other hand production in many directions has been stepped up in helping to fill wartime needs. Victoria's industries in particular are fully occupied, and no man with a trade, who is a resident and is physically fit, need be without employment for long at this time.

"Victoria has accepted her responsibilities with good grace and her citizens look to the future with confidence, grateful that they are privileged to live under conditions as they pertain here.

"Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for again granting me space, I wish you and all citizens of Victoria a happy and prosperous New Year."

"G. H. STEVENS,  
"Manager."

**CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE**

"This year brings to a close a period of events which have changed the course of human endeavor from one of peaceful pursuits to that involving armed conflict. At its opening there prevailed conditions which had not been seen since the days of the great wars of the past. A year of steady progress and the return of a measure of prosperity. Principal among these factors were a good backlog of construction contracts, the urgent need of factory renewals and replacement, a revival of interest in the pulp and paper industry, continued development of our mineral wealth, favorable commercial treaties with foreign countries, and the promise of a bountiful harvest.

"The incidence of war has not diminished the need for production of primary products, but

rather has increased it. In fact, it has brought with it a demand for goods and services which for a time will move the wheels of industry and commerce at an abnormal velocity, which in turn will produce a prosperity so long as the momentum of our war effort continues its way. The expenditure of vast sums of money for war purposes to which our nation is now committed will create greater employment and a broader market for the products of agriculture, mines, and forests, and measured by these indices it is to be expected that the coming year will result in gains for the year just closed.

**Need for Reserves**

"War always brings forced prosperity for a time, but it is invariably a wake of reaction in the post-war season which keen traders will discount. It is, therefore, timely to suggest to those who may require to lay in substantial stocks of merchandise or to undertake commercial ventures involving capital outlay for abnormal peaks for commercial and industrial activity, that they should in the years of probable larger profits which may lie immediately ahead, make provision by way of setting up adequate reserves to meet the effects of possible inflation or the reverse trend which is bound to follow an unduly rapid advance.

"In the meantime, unusual opportunities will be presented to agriculturists and businessmen alike, because Canada is in an outstanding position to supply the needs of the Empire and her allies in raw materials and manufactured goods, and it is my view that the coming year for Canadians generally will be one of continued prosperity.

"May I take this opportunity to extend to The Colonist my best wishes for its full participation in the prosperity which lies ahead."

"S. K. CAMPBELL,  
"Manager."

duction up from \$27,000,000 to \$180,000,000, an increase of 514 per cent; copper, lead and zinc, increase 600 per cent; nickel production, increase 285 per cent. Total exports have more than doubled—\$455,000,000 to \$969,000,000. The potential strength of Canada's position is vastly greater than at the commencement of the last war. Let us hope that her effort will be maintained at a high pitch, and be of real assistance to the Empire.

**Prosperity for British Columbia**

"The year 1939 may be considered one of reasonable prosperity for British Columbia. Lumber has shown an improved production; other basic industries have done their part in a satisfactory way. The bountiful harvest in the Prairie Provinces has had a very beneficial effect on economic and social life there, giving the farmer renewed hope and renewed self-reliance; prosperity there reflects in many ways toward us.

"The visit of the King and Queen during the year was an event of such importance that we should not fail to recall it at this time.

"The year 1940 may bring many changes in our business life and economic setup. The war was expenditure will, no doubt, necessitate many readjustments, higher taxes, perhaps further Government control of industry, etc., but let us hope that any measures of control and restrictions placed upon business by our Government, which may be necessary in our war effort, will be such as can be relinquished in due course, and not carried out to an extent that will interfere with or unduly hamper individual effort and enterprise, which are so much a part of our democratic system.

"Through this medium may we extend to everyone, and particularly to The Colonist, our very best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

"J. H. D. BENSON,  
"Manager."

**DOMINION BANK**

"The year 1939 has been a momentous one, not only for Canada, but for practically every country in the world. Despite the war clouds that were hanging over Europe at the time, Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth carried out their plans to visit our country and the United States, and the affair was an outstanding success. The enthusiasm with which the people from every part of Canada greeted Their Majesties demonstrated to the world that the strongest relationship exists between this and the Mother Country.

"Despite every effort made by Great Britain and France to find a solution of European troubles, these countries finally were forced to resort to arms to stop Germany's ruthless invasion of smaller countries which were not in a position to defend themselves. As soon as Great Britain declared war, Canada was at war, and it is to the credit of this country and the other members of the British Commonwealth that there was no hesitation in lining up with the Mother Country when the need arose. We entered the conflict with a clear conscience, because Prime Minister Chamberlain had done everything that was humanly possible to avert war.

**Business Index Up**

"The year has been in progress for about four months, and the effect on trade is beginning to tell. The business index has moved up to the highest point since 1929. War orders are responsible in part but not wholly for the improvement. Business was making steady gains prior to the outbreak of hostilities, and it is reasonable to suppose that had there been no war, Canada's trade in 1939 would still have shown a marked increase over the previous year. The excellent wheat crop harvested this year has done much to alleviate the difficulties of the farmer. Prices are better than they have been for some time, and there is a possibility that higher levels will be reached.

"While conditions generally appear to be satisfactory at this time, it must be remembered that the country is faced with a large expense bill. To finance the air training project and most other war work, in addition to the ordinary peace-time budget, will necessitate an expenditure in twelve months of about a billion dollars, and it is obvious that only part of this large sum can be raised by taxation.

**Sacrifices to Be Made**

"It is difficult to forecast with any degree of certainty what is in store for us in the coming year. In the meantime we have a war on our hands which, if it is to be a war of attrition, may not be ended for three or four years. We shall have to make sacrifices which will not be as easy as it is in the end of the last war.

"I would like to take this opportunity of extending the season's greetings to the members of the staff of The Colonist and to all its readers."

"DAVID McMILLAN,  
"Manager."

**Germany Reduces Food in Prisons**

BERLIN Dec. 30.—Food rationing has hit Germany's prisons and jails. The amount of the prisoner's daily bread has been reduced from 600 to 500 grams, sausage from 200 to 140 grams, fat and marmalade from 80 to 60 grams. Roughly, prisoners are eating about 25 per cent less.

Son: "Say, Pop, what does it mean when it says Mr. James went to the luncheon convention as a delegate?"

Father: "Son, it just means that he didn't take his wife along."

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**PROCEEDS WITH CITY PLANNING**  
Federal Government Spends  
\$8,000,000 in Year to  
Improve Capital

Ottawa, Dec. 30 (CP)—The scheme to make Ottawa one of the most beautiful capitals in the world advanced apace this year, and the Dominion Government spent some \$8,000,000 towards that end.

Outstanding among projects in the scheme was completion of the National War Memorial on Confederation Square, in the heart of the city's business district. About \$1,000,000 was spent on construction of the memorial and rearrangement of roadways, planting of trees, shrubs, and other incidental work. King George unveiled the memorial during the visit of Their Majesties to Ottawa this summer.

Another achievement was the new Supreme Court of Canada building, now nearing completion. The spacious, ultra-modern judicial building, the cornerstone of which was laid by Queen Elizabeth this summer, cost \$3,500,000. It overlooks a cliff on the Ottawa River, in the north end of the city, near the Parliament Buildings.

Of other projects entering the beautification scheme was the new modernistic and imposing \$1,000,000 postoffice in downtown Ottawa, which Prime Minister Mackenzie King opened officially a month ago. It is on the corner of Elgin and Sparks streets, overlooking Confederation Square.

Construction of other buildings in Ottawa and environs which included the Dominion Government Records building, an imposing six-story modern structure situated in the beautiful Dominion Experimental Farm grounds, the Mines and Resources Department research building, aeronautical and other laboratories of the National Research Council, and other buildings, has involved expenditure of about \$2,000,000.

In addition, old buildings on the east end of Wellington Street, once Ottawa's main thoroughfare, have been torn down to make way for the beautification of the street which the Government intends to create as a mall. Presently a large two-story, block-long frame building, constructed for military purposes, stands on the cleared property.

With a start made on the scheme, for which the Dominion Government engaged Dr. Jacques Greber, noted French architect, as adviser, Ottawa is beginning to take on a more and more beautiful appearance, presently dotted with parks and driveways.

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**NANAIMO ARENA IS NOW ASSURED**  
Gyro Club Ends Campaign With  
Sufficient Funds on Hand—  
Tenders Open Jan. 5

NANAIMO, Dec. 30.—A civic arena is assured for Nanaimo, the Gyro Club having completed raising the necessary amount of \$60,000 today, which brings the grand total available to \$91,800, according to Pete Maffeo, campaign manager. The pledged amount is over-subscribed to the extent of \$3,000.

McCarter and Nairn, of Vancouver, are architects. The Government grant available is \$21,800. The Gyros previously gave a donation of \$10,000. Tenders will be opened on January 5. The arena will be built near Newcastle Townsite Bridge on waterfront property recently acquired by the city.

**GOOD REASON**

"Mrs. Brown must have taken leave of her senses. Did you ever see such atrocious hairdressing?"

"Why, that is the latest Marie Antoinette style."

"Oh—well, now I know why she was beheaded."

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Sunday, December 31, 1939

## AT THE GATE OF THE YEAR

"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than the known way.'"

In the hearts of many, the dawn of a New Year seems to signify a new start in life. It gives a sense of renewal, of power, of a desire to make yet another effort to seize upon opportunities. To some it provides a natural occasion for pause and reflection; to others it is merely an anniversary for humorous enjoyment. Whatever may be the manner in which that dawn is greeted there are few who do not, in some sense or other, take stock of the past, and there are those who reach a decision to face the trials and discipline of what is to be with new courage and resolution. There are, too, as the old year is dying, thoughts of mortality in the knowledge that another end has been reached, another chapter written into the book of life. Perhaps it is to obliterate reflections of this kind, because they are regarded as gloomy, that so many foregather at midnight suppers and dances, and the New Year is ushered in with pledging and toasting.

Whatever may be the manner in which entry upon another year is regarded, to almost everyone it is a time for self-examination. Human nature being constituted as it is, there are seasons of commemoration or celebration that exercise a potent influence on the mind, and perhaps the most important thoughts of all come on each recurring anniversary of what marks a milestone in the life of the individual. The custom is to review the happenings of the past twelve months and appraise them in terms of material progress. There is the expression of happy longings for the future, relating almost altogether to the hope of more prosperous times ahead, of better fortune accruing to the individual or the nation. However personally these are expressed, there is a sense of earnestness in what they connote, both as they apply to what is in retrospect and to what is in prospect. Thus the end of a year, and the coming of another, serve a dual purpose—to review the experiences of the past and to make resolutions of betterment for the future. This is beneficial, inasmuch as there is profound wisdom in the teaching of Marcus Aurelius that lives are conditioned by thoughts.

Each New Year ushers in a new unknown, and the problem is how best that may be met, although, so far as there is human ken, it lies in the laps of the gods. There is contemplation of new beginnings, of a new leaf being turned over, and it is for the individual to see that it is a leaf that shall not wither. It will wither unless there is an appreciation of what is an imperishable security for the soul, which means that the New Year should be a time for moral as well as material stocktaking, a realization of what are those unchanging spiritual values that man can make his own. There is no such thing as leading a better life without reference to an Eternal Source of Goodness. That Source must be the lodestar if there is to be self-mastery and inner coherence in a way of living, if there is to be development of character, if there is to be the fullest knowledge of what are life's highest interests, if there is to be preparation to win through to the life everlasting that lies beyond the grave. It is that Source that tells mankind, "Let not your heart be troubled. Be not faithless but believing."

There is a reason why so many resolutions and good intentions of the New Year come to naught. The Saviour of the world gave His illustrations of such failure in the old wineskin and the patched garment. New wine may be put into old, cracked skins, for the fresh ferment of the grapes will crack the container. New, undressed cloth cannot be used to patch an old garment, because the strain in wear will result. It is the same with character; it may not be transformed in a piecemeal way. All the resolutions that may be made, all the good intentions that are determined upon, designed to imply a new way of living with new purposes, are useless without whole-hearted regard to the interests of morality. It is a new man who should greet the New Year. The inner identity of the self may remain, but the new man made possible by the development of a personality that will achieve new graces in life. The grass may wither, the flower may fade, but for man there are inexhaustible possibilities of renewal when he thinks upon what St. Paul described as "whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report." Man grows to resemble that upon which his thoughts and affections are fixed. He develops in spiritual stature in proportion as he pursues the quest for God.

The thoughts that imbue the individual represent his philosophy of life. It is he who asks himself the questions: "How have I steered my course thus far; how am I shaping it now; what sort of a chart am I steering by, and what is my destination?" It will be for him to decide if whether he is going will in the end mean that "Life's a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury signifying nothing," or if in the course he steers he is inspired with the belief of Mr. Gladstone, "that life is a great and noble calling, not a mean and grovelling thing that we are to shuffle through as we can, but an elevated and lofty destiny." Those words could have been spoken only by a Christian who knew that the past is a present possession and that the degrees of spiritual strength achieved are but an earnest of the desire to press on, like a runner in a race still unfinished. It is that spiritual strength that

reinforces the thoughts of the vanished years, that brings new encouragement for the coming time. To the individual who is steering his course to the Everlasting there is the knowledge of One Who has been his help in ages past and Who is his Hope for the years that lie ahead. The pathway is open, even to those who have never yet set their foot upon it. Each may repeat to himself and profit by the words of Mrs. Haskins, quoted by Mr. Majesty in his Christmas Day message to the peoples of the Empire: "I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than the known way.'"

## RENOVATING STREET CARS

It is in the nature of a New Year's gift to the people of this community that the B.C. Electric Railway Company should promise to renovate its street cars, a decision that will be welcomed at a time when some uncertainty exists about the future transportation system to be adopted. It is true that some of the street cars have fallen into a state of disrepair, and the delay in the work of renovation has been due to the company being uncertain as to the date it would relinquish the service. It promised to carry on until the city and adjoining municipalities could arrange for other transportation, and it has done so faithfully and efficiently throughout the year now closing, and without any formal franchise. The renovation of the street cars is to be undertaken without delay, the company having decided that its rolling stock will present a much better appearance in the immediate future. This will be heartily appreciated by all those who employ that means of transportation.

Airplanes flying at a certain height are spoken of as emitting long trails of "smoke." In dispatches about reconnaissance flights these have been noted, but it is not smoke at all. The white trail is explained as a not unusual accompaniment to flights made above 20,000 feet, and it is caused by super-cooled water vapor in the air forming droplets when disturbed by the passage of an airplane. It seems, too, that the white trail only occurs in well-defined layers of air.

## OPPORTUNITY

"They do me wrong who say I come no more  
When once I know and fail to find my way;  
For every day I stand outside your door  
And bid you wake and rise to fight and win.  
Wait not for precious chances passed away;  
Weep not for golden ages on the wane,  
Each night I burn the records of the day,  
At sunrise every soul is born again.  
Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped,  
To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb;  
My judgments deal the dead past with its dead,  
But never bind a moment yet to come.  
Thou' deep in mire, wring not your hands and weep;  
I lead you up, to all who say I can,  
No shamefaced outcast ever sank so deep  
But yet must rise and be again a man.  
Dost thou behold the best youth all aghast?  
Dost reel from righteous retribution's blow?  
Then turn from blotched archives of the past  
And find the future pages white as snow.  
Art thou a mourner? Rouse thee from thy spell,  
Art thou a slaver? Sins may be forgiven  
Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell,  
Each night a star to guide thy feet to Heaven."  
—John Inghs.

## TO THE NEW YEAR

New Year met me somewhat sad—  
Old Year leaves me tired and sad;  
Stripped of favorite things I had,  
Balked of, much desired,  
Yet farther on my road today,  
God willing farther on my way.  
New Year coming on apace  
What have you to give me?  
Bring you wealth or bring you grace,  
Face me with a loving face,  
You'll not deceive.  
Be it good or ill, be it what you will,  
I need shall help me on my way;  
My rugged way to heaven, please God,  
Christina Rossetti.  
Note: Written December 13, 1836.

## The Weather

Metropolitan Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m., December 30, 1939.

**SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS.**  
Pressure is relatively high over Southern British Columbia, and a storm of considerable intensity appears to be approaching Vancouver Island from the southwest. The weather here has been mostly fair and mild in this Province, but cold, with scattered snow flurries in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

**PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES.**  
Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m., temperatures for twenty-four hours:

|               | Precipitation | Min. | Max. |
|---------------|---------------|------|------|
| Vancouver     | —             | 37   | 44   |
| Nanaimo       | —             | 32   | 43   |
| Vancouver     | —             | 31   | 43   |
| Kamloops      | —             | 27   | 35   |
| Prince George | —             | 23   | 31   |
| Estevan Point | —             | 38   | 51   |
| Prince Rupert | —             | 37   | 45   |
| Lankara       | —             | 37   | 43   |
| Adlin         | —             | 19   | 31   |
| Seale         | —             | 6    | 12   |
| Portland      | —             | 02   | 40   |
| San Francisco | —             | 41   | 62   |
| Spokane       | —             | 31   | 36   |
| Peelton       | —             | 30   | 40   |
| Vernon        | —             | 29   | 39   |
| Kelowna       | —             | 29   | 40   |
| Grand Forks   | —             | 26   | 35   |
| Nelson        | —             | 30   | 34   |
| Kaslo         | —             | 23   | 34   |
| Cranbrook     | —             | 18   | 24   |
| Calgary       | —             | 13   | 37   |
| Edmonton      | —             | 13   | 33   |
| St. Paul      | Trace         | 6    | 13   |
| Moore Jaw     | —             | 4    | 2    |
| Prince Albert | —             | 11   | 3    |
| Winnipeg      | —             | 14   | 2    |

Minimum — Below zero.  
Maximum — 37.  
Average — 40.  
Minimum on the grass — 29.

Weather, cloudy, sunshine, Dec. 30, 5 hr., 18 min.  
5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.10; wind, NE, 15 miles; cloudy.  
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.11; wind, N, 5 miles; cloudy.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.28; wind, W, 2 miles; fair.  
Prince George—Barometer, 30.16; wind, NW, 2 miles; clear.  
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.11; wind, N, 2 miles; fair.  
Lankara—Barometer, 30.01; wind, E, 5 miles; fair.  
Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.04; wind, SE, 2 miles; cloudy.  
Tatooish—Barometer, 29.94; wind, E, 42 miles; cloudy.  
Portland—Barometer, 30.04; wind, SE, 2 miles; cloudy.  
Seattle—Barometer, 30.09; wind, NW, 10 miles; cloudy.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.08; wind, S, 5 miles; fair.

## Note and Comment

By SANDHAM GRAVES

January, 1939—Premier leaves for Ottawa, Minister of Finance there. Tenders called for Mill Bay Ferry. British Columbia excited over plans for visit of their Majesties in May. Storm damage at Renfrew and Courtenay. Actuarial survey of teachers' pensions ordered. Province prepares for drivers' tests. Minister of Mines leaves for San Francisco. Province starts anti-vice crusade on Mainland. Gasoline price-fixing rescinded. All ministers return. Progress reported on Alaska Road. Driving tests start. Credit Union Act proclaimed. Public Utilities Commission appointed.

February, 1939—Publisher of Mail and Globe says Provincial Government must go. British Columbia's Premier says Provincial Government won't go. Ottawa renews \$500,000 in British Columbia Treasury bills for a year at 3 per cent. A white blackfish reported off West Coast. Governor-General expected on Coast in March. Landslide at Hedley blows out several homes; Province passes free land to victims. Some 7,000 motorists tested. Mill Bay Ferry starts anew. Two ministers leaving for San Francisco. Preparations begun for Royal Visit. Logging divisions on ward plan wiped out in cities. Victoria asks \$450,000 loan for hydro development. Progress reported on Alaska Road. Victoria promised new postoffice.

March, 1939—Province retires \$3,000,000 at New York. Oil exploration commences in Peace River. Minister of Mines leaves for East. Courts throw out price-fixing under fuel control. Province will fight on. Sudden settlers expected. Utilities Commission to control bus lines and road freights. Vancouver asks for \$477,000 to cover budget deficit. Minister of Finance leaves for Ottawa. Royal Visit plans proceed. Governor-General given honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at U.B.C. Their Excellencies entertained in Victoria. Floods take eight lives on East Pine River. Province announces \$3,000,000 loan at New York. More progress reported on Alaska Road. Ministers return from San Francisco.

April, 1939—Fiscal year 1939-40 opens quietly. Single-spout plan arranged for Mainland milk system. Airman Fred Crane, M.P.P., dies suddenly at Vancouver. Government takes drivers' tests. Utility board reviews hydro contracts. Minister of Mines returns. Minister of Education leaves for East. Vancouver Centre by-election announced for May. British Columbia life commission report. \$440,000 Provincial policies for 1938. Minister of Finance returns. Alaska Road Commission, Canadian section, here; progress again reported. Government campaigns in Vancouver Centre. C.P. member elected to Legislature next day.

May, 1939—Utilities board takes over traffic licensing and staff. Province to seek \$1,000,000 loan at Ottawa for municipalities which protect Indians' costs. Their Majesties sail for Canada. Premier leaves for Ottawa by air. War clouds gather in Europe. Premier returns by air from Ottawa. Summary of plans for Royal Visit announced. Their Majesties land in Renfrew. Airborne welcome. Empire Day broadcast makes history. Hitler and Mussolini sign military pact. All Canada follows Their Majesties' tour by radio and in the press. Minister of Education returns. Royal British Columbia 68th and Northern districts, 3,897, for a total of 151,246 cars from United States point during the eleven-month period.

The Month of the Royal Visit 1939—May 29, King George and Queen Elizabeth at Victoria. His Majesty's Naval and Air Armies of 30,000 people sail National Anthem in the rain. Through illuminated city, past colored flames and cathedral bells, Their Majesties drive to Government House. May 30, Their Majesties make six public appearances in Victoria. Their Majesties' visit in Victoria, B.C., and environs, including civic welcome, provincial reception, luncheon at Empress Hotel, with presentation of Color to Royal Canadian Navy and His Majesty's speech to Empire as highest in day of excited welcome. May 31, Their Majesties take farewell drive through city streets en route to dock, sailing with naval and aerial escort, as crowds line shores for miles.

June 1939—Public in radio and press, follow the Royal Tour to Washington. Federal enumeration, appointed for general election. Province announces loan of \$4,000,000. Courts reinstate fuel price-fixing. Municipalities get motor vehicle cheques, \$370,000. Their Majesties leave Canada, June 15, after month's visit. Million of lb programme announced for British Columbia roads. U.B.C. to have \$350,000 new wing. Flood season reported ended. Vancouver Island loses \$15,000. Minister of Mines flies to Ottawa. Anglo-Japanese incidents reported. Premier drives to San Francisco. Sal-

## FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From The Daily Colonist of December 31, 1889.

Naval Notes—On Saturday, Vice-Admiral Hepburn entertained a few guests at dinner, and on the following day made an official inspection of H.M.S. Anson. The admiral is very busily engaged refitting the ship preparatory to leaving Esquimaux on or about January 25. The work of placing the new liner in position and fitting her out will be completed by the end of the week, and the ship in about ten days will be ready to start on her third day's steam trial of her machinery. It is expected that H.M.S. Warspite will shortly be commissioned to relieve H.M.S. Swiftsure as flagship of the Pacific squadron, all her defects having been made good, and she having passed out of the first class sailing reserve.

Wholesale Fur Dealers—Messrs J. Borovitsky & Sons have located themselves at No. 19 First Street, for the purpose of purchasing furs, and will also advance money on shipments of furs to Europe. In fitting out shops for selling, for fur trading, and on salmon and canvas supply. The intimate acquaintance of the senior member with the fur-trade will enable the new firm to carry on this important business successfully and are intelligently, thereby securing the best results for themselves and their customers.

## The Observation Car

By THE EDITORIAL STAFF

### Happy New Year

Tomorrow will mark the dawn of a new day and the start of another twelve months along the sports front. To the champions of 1939; to those not fortunate enough to get to the top and to the athletes of tomorrow we say "Happy New Year." . . . Victoria Rugby Union officials received a swell New Year's gift Friday when Brigadier C. V. Brockwell, recently appointed D.O.C., M.D. 11, gave permission for army rugger to play in future McKechnie Cup matches. It was a splendid gesture on the part of the District Officer Commanding, one that the soldiers under his command will certainly appreciate. . . . With soldier players now available for McKechnie Cup play, stock of the Crimson Tide will hit a new high. The locals are leading the race at present and appear to have a good chance of retaining the coveted "mug." . . . Leonardo Garcia, Filipino heavyweight, who wrestled here last week, is a cousin of Ceferino Garcia, middleweight boxer, recognized as champion in New York State and California. (Seattle's own Al Hostak is recognized as lightweight in the forty-six other States of the Union).—S.T.

### Glancing Over Sport

Grid supremacy will be at stake tomorrow afternoon when teams representing Southern California and Tennessee clash at Pasadena in the annual Rose Bowl classic, one which will draw more than 90,000 spectators. The experts have given the Trojans a slight edge to win the decision, despite the big fact that Tennessee has not been beaten in twenty-four consecutive games and not had their goal line crossed. . . . Southern Cal. was lucky to beat Washington Huskies, a team with only a mediocre record during the season. I will take Tennessee to defeat the Coast champions by two clear touchdowns. . . . Locally, tomorrow we have the most important football game of the season at the Athletic Park with Wests Esquimaux Equivalents. With the greenish cleming as in some of their previous engagements they should nose out the Dockers after a close argument. . . . I have a hunch that the Americans will win the unbeaten record of the Rangers this evening in Madison Square Garden. Boston will beat the hapless Canadiens and Toronto should have very little trouble taking points from the cellar occupants, Detroit Red Wings. . . . Al Hostak's next opponent has seven knockouts to his credit. Well, I guess that winning streak will end when the Seattle bomber starts exploding rights and lefts.—J.D.

### Real Resolution

At this time of the year many well-meaning persons make countless resolutions that are soon broken. Perhaps the most simple and direct one would be to resolve to treat others as you would have them treat you. . . . We hope the police commission makes a resolution to order new chairs for the press and legal fraternity in court. Twelve months of our 200 pounds plus on the particular chair we rest on daily has placed it in the class of unsafe structures. . . . Unfortunately prisoners who found themselves in the city jail on Christmas Eve hung up their socks as a joke. The next morning each sock was found to contain a good cigar and a copy of the Christmas issue of the War Cry. . . . An insurance agent called at the shop of Bill, the Broad Street barber, to make a few inquiries about Willie in regard to a policy application. "Is he ready?" the agent asked the boss. "He sure is. In fact he is almost motionless," the boss replied. . . . Somewhere we read that neutral airplanes in Europe will be painted an orange color. Presumably previous protests have proved fruitless. . . . Christmas cards in England were subject to censorship. We suppose at that rate the expression "peace on earth" would constitute dangerous anti-war propaganda.

Pumped Abbey is a cautious soul in all his dealings. We have often heard him remark that he "never asked on thin ice." Judging by his avowals, such a course would prove highly dangerous.—G.B.

### A Great Industry

Figures compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics indicate that the mineral production of Canada is a great asset, making for stability in the business of the country. Ontario continues to show the greatest production in this regard for the year 1938, which is the last one for which complete returns are shown. The development of the mining industry in that Province has been developed within the lifetime of the present generation reaching a value of almost \$221,500,000 for the year 1938 British Columbia, which has been somewhat longer in production and which has greater difficulties to overcome in this line of enterprise ranks almost equal to Quebec production and is third among the provinces with a production in 1938 of \$54,096,000.

The official figures as given bear out that mineral production in Canada in 1938 reached a figure more than \$450,000,000 in value, while the dividends for the year totaled over 21 per cent of the production, or \$94,000,000. Thus while there are many mining investments that do not yield returns to their shareholders and promoters, the figures show that mining is among the large dividend producers in the Dominion.—O.H.N.

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## INVESTIGATE FIRE IN BRASS WORKS

REVERE, Mass., Dec. 30 (Ap. — Fire department officials, investigating a blaze which swept the Revere Brass Foundry yesterday and possibly destroyed patterns for machinery parts for new United States destroyers, asked the assistance of the State fire marshal in an effort to establish definitely the cause of the flames.

The fire which Fire Chief Thomas J. McCarthy said caused approximately \$15,000 damage, destroyed the building. He said preliminary examination showed the fire was caused by a hot air explosion in a core oven. An official police report, later withdrawn, that there was a possibility of sabotage, brought from McCarthy the statement he did not think the fire was set.

Company officials said patterns they used were copies of the originals in the hands of master contractors and there would be no delay in the Government work.

## Letters to the Editor

No letter to the Editor will be inserted except on the last page, signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception. No letter should exceed 500 words in length.

### THE PATH TO LASTING PEACE

Sir,—His Majesty the King in His Christmas Day broadcast spoke these words:

"On no other basis [than Christian civilization] can true civilization be built. Let us remember this through the dark years ahead of us and when we are making the peace for which all men pray."

May I draw the attention of your readers to an amplification of this thought. Dr. F. Buchanan, the man used to start the Moral and Spiritual Reformation Movement, said the following in a somewhat message, broadcast on December 2:

"Men with the spirit that refuses to hate when men are hateful, the spirit that is just when others are unjust, the spirit that is unselfish when others are selfish—these are the men who can be used by the Prince of Peace to make peace."

True Christian civilization is founded on the Sermon on the Mount as written in the Gospel of St. Matthew, v. vii. If we examine that sermon carefully we shall find that these words contain the path of it. This is about the only path to lasting peace which has not yet been tried, and the only path which if sincerely tried will undoubtedly bring it.

A. S. AVERILL,  
1303 Rockland Avenue, Victoria, B.C.  
December 30, 1939.

### STREAMLINED STREET CARS

Sir,—May I make a suggestion re our transportation system? Why couldn't we have streamlined street cars here? They are noiseless and run so smooth. I have seen the one they have in Vancouver and think it would be suitable for Victoria. They are better than buses. I think we ought to get them for Victoria.

H. W. HARRIS,  
2706 5th Street, Victoria, B.C.,  
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### KEEPING A DIARY

Sir,—In your daily columns we read of many things, of shore and ships and sailing war, of empires and kings, and why the sea is boiling hot, and whether pigs should dance, of caddies in our ocean, of aldermanic notions, of births and deaths and marriages, of trophies won in war and sport, and many items of that sort, or wars in Spain and thousands slain; the fact of Finis and their marvelous wing, of how Britannia rules the waves, despite the saying of "Teutonic Knives."

But of the fun of "Keeping a Diary" I find no trace. It would be fascinating to learn, through your columns if any of your readers can equal my record. I am about to make my eleventh thousand entry!

DOROTHY HEWITT WHITE,  
504 Osweyo Street, Victoria, B.C.,  
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### SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1939.

| Date | Time       | Date | Time       |
|------|------------|------|------------|
| 1    | 7:45 16:21 | 17   | 8:08 16:19 |
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| 5    | 7:45 16:17 | 21   | 7:40 16:19 |
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### ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN TRAFFIC MISHAPS

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30 (Ap. — Ver-

dict of accidental death were

returned here at requests into two

fatal traffic mishaps involving chil-

dren.

Harry Nelson, fifteen, was killed

last Wednesday when his bicycle

was struck by a truck. Earlier the

same fifteen-year-old June

Jamieson, of Lulu Island, was

# Basic Industries Closing Year of Sustained Effort

Lumber, Mines, Agriculture and Fisheries of British Columbia Add \$209,750,000 for Twelve Months Production in 1939—War Conditions Faced With Minimum Problems

BRITISH Columbia's basic industries produced an estimated \$209,750,000 during 1939, according to reliable estimates available yesterday in Federal, Provincial and business circles. This total, largely exclusive of manufactured values, was \$100,750,000 better than in 1932, and up 4 per cent from returns of \$201,500,000 recorded in 1938.

In the last quarter the four primary industries, including lumber, mines, agriculture and fisheries, moved fully into wartime conditions, bringing a whole new set of facts to bear upon production, transportation and marketing. In this, however, British Columbia had the assurance of steady business, though upon co-ordinated levels, with prices fixed and markets channelled.

The anticipated returns from the four major industries for the twelve-month period, subject to official correction, were as follows: Forest products, \$75,000,000; mining, \$65,000,000; farm products, \$52,000,000; and fisheries, \$17,750,000. Chief gains were in lumber and agriculture, with fisheries down, but mining steady. The prospects for 1940 were considered bright, though new problems remain to be faced and worked out as the new year opens. Some expected results were detailed as follows:

**FOREST PRODUCTS**  
Correlating the forest products output for the year, Provincial officials anticipate total production valued at \$75,000,000, compared with \$67,122,000 in 1938. Included in this is a record saw log scale of 3,100,000 board feet, as against 2,581,000 board feet in the year previous; waterborne exports estimated at 1,400,000,000 board feet, compared with 1,192,000,000 board feet in 1938, and a complete reversal in trend for the pulp and paper business.

At the same time, the industry was given major problems in transportation and distribution, which remain to be worked out. A full-fledged demand, firmer prices, and in some instances, guaranteed payments replaced marketing experiments of the year before. On the other hand, congestion of cut lumber stocks, uncertainty as to clearances, and pending settlements on co-ordination for wartime needs, imposed new and weighty problems for which answers were earnestly being sought as the year closed.

Reported as a steady gain during the year was the noticeable increase in cedar and hemlock sales, making for a more balanced production from British Columbia forests. At the end of November the fir cut had moved up from 1,284,000,000 board feet to 1,539,000,000 board feet; hemlock rose from 370,000,000 board feet to 497,000,000 board feet, and cedar from 480,000,000 board feet to 530,000,000 board feet, compared with eleven months in 1938. Log stocks were reported as normal as the year

closed. The year ending split into two natural divisions. In the first three quarters gold prices were slowly rising, silver was slipping, and base metals were climbing upward in irregular jumps with frequent reactions. In the last quarter, or ten days after the outbreak of war in fact, almost the entire bulk of British Columbia's base metal production passed under Empire wartime co-ordination and control, with voluntary agreement to fixed prices somewhat below the open market level, but assurance of demand and a guarantee of payment for all needed raw materials supplies. This involved, and will continue to imply, a sacrifice of some profit, but constituted one of the first tangible contributions of British Columbia industry to the common Allied cause.

It is no secret now that British Columbia's output in gold, lead and zinc will be from three to ten times what they were in 1914, and a major element in Canada's material aid to the Mother Country. Smelter capacity of the province is now 170,000 long tons in lead and 110,000 tons in zinc, with total tonnages three times increased since the outbreak of the conflict in 1914. In copper, British Columbia producers are still getting the benefit of open market prices, with copper quotations risen from 11 to 13 and a fraction cents per pound since the start of the year. Coal output led that of 1938 for ten months in a row, but slackened off with an abnormally mild winter season ensuing.

**IMPROVEMENT SEEN**  
While provincial returns are not yet available for the full year, mine officials predict an all-time high record for gold, customary volume but some price improvement for lead, a record high volume in zinc, a material increase in the production of copper, and coal output substantially ahead of last year. The exact tonnage and the aggregate value in Canadian funds may not yet be computed, but there is reason to suggest that the Minister of Mines was speaking from notes in Vancouver when he predicted a gross return of \$85,000,000 from British Columbia mining for 1939.

Exploring special wartime minerals, British Columbia logged deposits from which mercury and antimony may be extracted if development should become warranted. Some interest attached to development at Pinchi Lake, in the Marston Creek area, where mercury possibilities are being investigated by a leading British Columbia concern. At present, however, no immediate call has been made for emergent production in special minerals, though the province's knowledge has been vastly increased by the closer inspection of resources long known to exist.

Predictions for 1940 include the expectation of steady production in all major divisions of the industry, the possibility of some volume increase in base metal outputs, but little change in fixed prices as established at the outset of the present war. Gold, on the other hand, is expected to enhance in value from a variety of direct and indirect causes.

**AGRICULTURE**  
British Columbia agriculture, according to Federal, Provincial and other sources, maintained production and benefitted from price increases, for an estimated total output worth \$52,000,000. This compared with \$47,782,000, the value attributed to last year. Livestock prices, in beef, pork, and mutton, poultry, grain, and fodder, and some other divisions moved up sharply, especially in the last quarter of the year.

Estimated production, it is believed, will include grains and fodders, \$16,000,000; dairying, \$14,000,000; fruits and vegetables, \$10,000,000; livestock and poultry, \$10,000,000; with some \$2,000,000 from a wide variety of miscellaneous products, including hops, honey, wool, tobacco and other commodities.

The year was again split into two divisions, pre-war and wartime. The last quarter, under the newly formed Agricultural Production Committee and otherwise, long-range plans were laid for co-ordination of farm effort. More than 1,000 brood sows were distributed in three months; herd and acreage increases were arranged; and a strict code towards making British Columbia more self-supporting on the one hand, and more capable of help with export surplus on the other.

Brief grading, tried on the lower mainland, worked well, and led to increasing attention to finishing cattle with grain feeds, so that prime carcasses are reaching the market in greater numbers. On

the whole, Canadian landings being slightly increased at 13,000,000 pounds, the province's output of \$1,400,000, compared with \$1,272,000 in 1938. Now in the middle of the herring season, with the bulk of the catch usually taken in January, British Columbia expects a normal to quiet season, with substantial increases in the number of fish canned, but a severe drop in salt fish trade across the Pacific. Herring values of \$855,000 last year may be realized before the season is out.

In shell fish and a wide variety of miscellaneous products, the province had a normal year, with better marketing in the canned section of the trade, including clams. Interference with fishing fleets by storms was not absent, but not more frequent than expected or customary. The West Coast experienced several sharp gales, mostly coming at between-season periods. The puzzle of the year remained the wandering pilchards, gone but by no means forgotten.

Through it all, British Columbia added 4 per cent to its chief production values in the basic industries in 1939, with some cause for at least a modified optimism for the year 1940.

**Young Sayward Heir Dies at Carnoustie**  
Receipt of a cablegram here yesterday announced the death at Carnoustie, Scotland, of eight-year-old Austin Sayward-Wilson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Forbes Sayward-Wilson, Carnoustie, formerly of Victoria, following an operation a week ago.

The little boy was born in Victoria, and was the only grandson and surviving male heir of the late Joseph Austin Sayward, of this city. After their marriage in Victoria, his parents built a house in the Uplands district and lived there for a few years before going to Great Britain.

**KILLED BY HAYRACK**  
VERMILION, Alta., Dec. 30 (CP).—Arthur West, twenty-seven, Clarendon district farmer, was killed when crushed beneath a heavy hayrack, which apparently fell on him as he was ploughing in on sleigh bunks Wednesday. No one saw the accident.

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MOSCOW, Dec. 30 (AP).—Sir William Sewds, British ambassador to Soviet Russia, will leave for London next Tuesday for a visit described by the embassy as an often-postponed leave.

**Uplands Resident Dies in California**  
Howard M. Archibald, of The Uplands, died suddenly in Beverly Hills on Friday, according to word received here yesterday by friends. Mr. Archibald was holidaying in California with his wife, son and daughter when the death occurred. In addition to Mrs. Archibald and family with him on the trip, he is survived by one son in Vancouver.

**DEATH TAKES BANDMASTER**  
Former Musical Director of 5th Regiment Passes Away in Hospital

One of the best known bandmasters in the city, Albert Rumsby, 331 Niagara Street, who during the past thirty years has fostered the development of much local musical talent, died yesterday morning in St. Joseph's Hospital. Funeral services will be held at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Chadwick officiating. Interment will take place in Colwood Rural Park.

Born in England, Mr. Rumsby joined the Royal Artillery Band as a boy, where he received the sound musical training that he was to make such good use of all his life. He was married in Norwich, England, on December 1, 1888, and a year ago Mr. and Mrs. Rumsby held an "at home" to their many friends at the family residence in celebration of their golden wedding.

Shortly after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Rumsby went to the United States, and in 1905 Mr. Rumsby came to Victoria to act as bandmaster of the 5th Regiment Band. Mrs. Rumsby and family following in March, 1906.

Mr. Rumsby was employed at the Empress Hotel for eleven years. Shortly after the outbreak of the Great War, he went overseas as bandmaster of the 88th Battalion, C.E.F. He formed the Naval Cadet Band here and took it to England on a successful tour a few years ago. He was a life member of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association, and was the leader of their band.

Mr. Rumsby is survived by his widow, four sons, Alfred, George, Frank and Horace; one daughter, Mrs. E. S. Saunders, all of Victoria; and a number of grand and great-grandchildren.

**CONFIDENCE SHOWN HERE BY FIGURES**  
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MUCH NEW BUSINESS EXPECTED FOR YEAR

Continued confidence in the city as a business and residential centre was manifested in new construction and alteration issued yesterday by the city building inspector's department.

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## Announcements

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## Expect Increased Manufacturing and Tourist Business

Havoc and Destruction Caused by European War May Be Atoned for in Small Degree by Industrial and Travel Increases

ALTHOUGH the present European war has already brought havoc and destruction to mankind, the increase in industrial activity and curtailment of travel to the Continent will be of benefit to Victoria and Canada in general in 1940, according to the trend of New Year's messages from heads of the Chamber of Commerce, Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau, Real Estate Board and Canadian Manufacturers' Association, here.

Statements from these officials follow:  
**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
Duncan McBride, president, Victoria Chamber of Commerce:  
"Standing on the threshold of the new year 1940, a backward glance to 1939 shows that a definite and orderly improvement in trade and commerce generally has set in. The momentous happenings since September in Europe have changed normal conditions into abnormal war emergency conditions, which we now carry forward into 1940.

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"Towards this aim and end we wish each other Godspeed in 1940."

**PUBLICITY BUREAU**  
G. H. Stevens, president of the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau:  
"Conditions during 1939 provided an exceptionally good test of the strength of the foundation on which Victoria's tourist business has been built.

"The year 1939 gave the city and Island record tourist travel, and during the Spring of 1939 foreign automobile travel showed a very marked increase over the same period in 1938. The increase was maintained until August, when the crews of all of the ferry boats plying between Victoria and Port Angeles, Sidney and Anacortes, and one of the Victoria-Seattle lines went on strike. Travel through these ports to the Island practically ceased, as many prospective visitors were afraid that the strike would spread and that they might not be able to leave the Island at will. As a result, the main tourist season showed a drop of just over 20 per cent in foreign automobile travel to the Island through the ports of Victoria and Sidney. Final figures for foreign travel entering the Island through Nanaimo are not yet available, but indications are that they will show an increase over 1938, sufficient to reduce the decrease already mentioned to a negligible figure. If, indeed, they do not convert it into an increase.

"The Golden Gate Exposition at San Francisco drew a great number of people from the States of Oregon and Washington who ordinarily come north to Victoria to spend their holidays.  
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**FIND SKATERS' BODIES**

EDMUNDSTON, N.B., Dec. 30 (CP)—Bodies of Lewis Magoon, seven-year-old, and his sister, Minnie, fourteen, two of three skaters drowned in the Madawash River on Tuesday night, were found by grappers yesterday and brought to the surface. The body of the other victim, Geraldine Plourde, nineteen, was still missing.

**PAMPERING THE POOCH:**

Lady "handing over dog to man in baggage car." "Now, before you give him his meals, I want you to say, 'Diddum Dinkie want oo dindum'." And if he paws, he's not quite ready for his meal yet."

## Ready for Nazi Raiders



Ready to Go Into Instant Action at the Sight of a German Warplane. These British Anti-Aircraft Gunners Stand By Their Battery on the French Front.

## City and District

**Old Picture**—A historical picture of Fort Victoria in the '30's is on display in the window of the B.C. Land & Investment Agency, Limited, 922 Government Street.

**Old-Age Pensioners**—The Old-Age Pensioners will hold their general meeting on Tuesday next at the Eagles Hall, 751 View Street, at 2:30 p.m.

**Is Remanded**—James Gordon entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of vagrancy in the city police court and was remanded until Tuesday. He was released on his own recognizances.

**House Fire**—The Oak Bay Fire Department attended a small fire in a house on Transit Road at 4:10 p.m. yesterday. A faulty oil stove was the cause of the blaze, but very slight damage was done, firemen reported.

**City Building**—Twelve permits for new construction and alterations valued at \$9,091 were issued by the city building inspector's department during the past week. The permits included a new dwelling, duplex residence and workshop, to cost a total of \$8,800.

**Pleads Guilty**—Charged in the city police court yesterday morning with vagrancy, Edward McLeod entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced yesterday by Magistrate Henry C. Hall to serve fifteen days in jail at hard labor. Evidence was given by Constable Able Briggs.

**Open House**—The annual Y.M.C.A. "open house" will be held tomorrow between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m. There will be exhibitions on the floor of the gymnasium, as well as a special musical entertainment and afternoon tea for the guests in the main lobby.

**Loose Appeal**—Dr. S. J. Willis, provincial superintendent of education, announced yesterday the refusal by the Board of Reference of an appeal by a former Oak Bay school teacher from a dismissal order of the Municipal School Board. Reasons for the decision of the appeal board were not given.

**Chat Body of Yours?**  
JAMES W. BARTON, M.D.

**DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FUNCTIONAL AND ORGANIC DISEASES**

You may consult your physician about some stomach or heart symptoms and are told that the symptoms are real, but imaginary, but are only functional, not organic.

What do functional and organic mean?  
When there is a functional disturbance of stomach, heart, or other organ, it means that the disturbance is not caused by any change in the structure or tissues of the organ, but by some other cause—nervousness, some disturbance of a nearby or distant organ.

When an organic ailment is present, it means that there is a change in, or something wrong with, the tissues of the organ which causes the symptoms.

For instance, if the heart is beating rapidly, due to an overactive thyroid gland, it is a functional disturbance of the heart, if the heart has to beat rapidly because it has lost some of its muscular power then it is organic heart disease.

It is, therefore, most important that patients understand the difference between functional and organic.

"To tell a person who has real heart disease that his heart is normal may not be so bad as it might seem, but it may prevent that person from taking proper care of himself and he may expose himself to risks he should not take, but to tell a person with a perfectly normal heart that he has heart disease may produce a neurosis (fear of a disease that is not really present) which, in many cases, may make him a semi-invalid. The difference is that in many of the symptoms of heart disease are also symptoms of other conditions. Pain in left breast suggests heart disease whereas if pain were in right breast it would be called neuritis." I am quoting Dr. J. Murray Kinsman, Louisville, Ky., in Medical World.

Similarly, while breathlessness is a sign of failure of the heart muscle, breathlessness may be due to too much acid food or to blocked nose passages.

Try to remember the difference between functional and organic diseases. Functional disturbances are not serious, but their cause should be sought.

Next Story: "An All-Day Scolder."

(Required by The Associated Newspapers)

## OAK BAY HAD RECORD YEAR

Collections Reached New High, Reeve Says in New Year Message

"Oak Bay has just completed another very successful year, thanks to the co-operation of the ratepayers," Reeve R. R. Taylor said yesterday in a New Year message, in which he reviewed municipal operations during the past twelve months.

"By the promptness of the taxpayers in meeting their obligations, the council this year broke all records for tax collections, which represented over 94 per cent of the levy," the Reeve continued. "While the prospects for 1940 are very good, no doubt, the war will make some difference to tax collections, and I hope that the residents of Oak Bay will realize the importance of meeting their commitments and not make too many demands on the council in a time of emergency."

**STAFF THANKED**

"All departments have co-operated to the fullest extent this year, and our thanks are due to the various department heads and employees for the kindness and consideration shown to the council, and for the way they have helped in making Oak Bay have the most successful year in its history. A total of 106 new homes have been built during the past year, and while this number is smaller than that for 1938, the average value, \$4,000, is higher.

"On behalf of the council and myself, I extend to all people of Greater Victoria best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year. I am confident that Oak Bay will co-operate in anything for the good of Greater Victoria."

## GOING BACK TO HELP HOMELAND

Finnish Miner Comes Out Of North On Way to Fight for Country

MONTREAL, Dec. 30 (CP)—Bound for Finland to help his nation meet Russia's invasion, forty-two-year-old Herman Nykanen arrived here yesterday after a trip by dog sled, airplane and railroad from Canada's Northwest Territories.

Nykanen was at Great Bear Lake, where he worked in a mine, when word arrived of the invasion of Finland.

"I wanted to get there right away," said the broad-shouldered, 200-pound Finn, who served as a lieutenant under Baron Mannerheim in Finland's war of independence.

"I love Canada, but Finland always will be dear to me," he told reporters yesterday. "I fought for my country once before—I will fight again."

**ONCE A WRESTLER**  
The husky miner, once an Olympic wrestler, came to Canada in 1927 as a professional grappler. In the wrestling ring he called himself the "Black Mask," but drew no satisfaction from the business.

He gave up wrestling, drifted about and finally took up work in a mine as a laborer. He liked that, he said, and particularly his employment at Great Bear Lake.

The trip to Montreal meant 100 miles by dog sled, and 1,400 by airplane to Edmonton. From there Nykanen will go to New York.

In Finland he said he hoped to take a special class in high school subjects is being proposed, to enable those who left school before graduation to complete their high school course. Another proposed new course is one for men desirous of taking the Diesel and steam engineer's certificate. Anyone interested in either of these two classes should get in touch with the director on Thursday night, as they will only be organized if a sufficient number are interested.

The class in home nursing, so popular last term, will be continued this session. Many of the other classes also may enroll, new students at this time. Bulletin giving full information may be obtained at the school board office or at the Public Library.

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## PERSONAL ITEMS and SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

### Music and Drama Review Discloses Varied Activities

Several Distinguished Names Found in the List of Those Heard in Concert Here During 1939, but Colbourne-Barry Jones Company Provide Only Visiting Dramatic Talent

WHILE the past year has been one of curious activity in so far as the various musical and dramatic groups of the city are concerned, it has produced relatively little in the way of imported talent. In fact one could count on the fingers of two hands those names of international note who have contributed to Victoria's musical entertainment. Fortunately the prospect for 1940 is slightly better in this particular respect, although many are expressing regret at the cancellation of the two drama festivals, which were scheduled to take place here this January, and the annual Spring Musical Festival.

Among the distinguished musicians who visited the city during 1939 were, taking them in order of appearance: Rose Bampton, Metropolitan soprano, with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra in January,

and again, with Ossi Renardy, pianist, in October; Dalcie Frantz, pianist; Marion Keighley Snowden, violinist; Catherine Meisle, contralto; Nino Martini, with Miguel Sandoval; Arthur Benjamin, brought here by the Victoria Musical Art Society; Gertrude Green, Canadian pianist, with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra under Sir Ernest MacMillan on October 9; Lucy Monroe, operatic soprano, with Mr. Bristol; and the Hart House Quartette with Arthur Benjamin in November.

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**The Red Cross Workshop**

### A Recent Bride and Groom



—Photo by Meyers. —Photo by Hester Wilkinson.  
**MR. AND MRS. EDWARD C. TAYLOR**  
Who were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Harker, Carlin Street, on Friday evening. The bride was formerly Miss Mary Catherine Harker.

who spent a few hours in the city with his wife.

Victoria has been proud to add to her residents during the year Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wilkie, distinguished Shakespearean actors, who are now living in comparative retirement here after an unusually active career which carried them to South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India and China.

**ORCHESTRAL DEBUT**  
Of musical events by local talent special reference should be made to the debut of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra under Alfred Prescott.

Their splendid inaugural programme at the Royal Victoria Theatre led to high hopes that they would receive generous public support and become a fixed institution, and actually public appreciation was markedly demonstrated by the size of the audiences attending their open-air concerts at Beacon Hill Park during July and August.

There have been the usual monthly recitals of the Musical Art Society and its three junior branches; the community concert series, which included the recitals by Dalcie Frantz, Catherine Meisle and Lucy Monroe; the Sunday twilight recitals of last Winter, and numerous church choir, small orchestra and individual recitals. Among the last-mentioned were two by Cecily Harper, one by Selma Hayes, violinist, and one by Lois Hamblett, pianist.

The Victoria Grand Opera Association has had unabated activity, and in addition to one full opera, "Faust," produced at the Empire Theatre last May, has given a number of less ambitious operatic productions at its own clubrooms, Rockland Avenue. Chief among the music-studio recitals of the year were that of Mme. Eva Baird and that of the Hoffman studio.

**ANNUAL PERFORMANCE**  
The Victoria Choral and Orchestra Union has carried on according to schedule by giving its annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" at Christ Church Cathedral, and earlier in the year, Mozart's "Requiem Mass" at Vaughan Williams' "Donna Nobis Pacem" and Hubert Parry's "Blest Pair of Sirens".

Other concerts of the year included the Patsy Swift benefit, held at the Empire Theatre in September; the Arion Club concert at the Empress Hotel on November 29; Dr. Preiswerk's chamber-music recital benefit for the French War Relief, held at St. Margaret's School in late November; the Anthony Williams' Red Cross benefit; the Red Cross benefit at the Metropolitan Church last month, organized by the Musical Art Society; and the Schubert Club benefit for Sunshine Inn, held at the Shrine Hall last March.

**VISITING ARTISTS**  
January — General Platoff's Don Cossack Choir, Empire Theatre; Dalcie Frantz, pianist; Seattle Symphony, at the Armory, conducted by Nikolai Sokoloff, with Rose Bampton, Metropolitan soprano, as guest artist; Marion Keighley Snowden, artist of the violin, in lecture-recital programme of old English music at Empress Hotel.

February — British Columbia Regional Drama Festival, Catherine Meisle, contralto; Eva Maxwell Lytle, folk song singer, Empress Hotel.

April — Visit of Ted Shaw dancers at Royal Victoria Theatre; annual Musical Festival.

May — Nino Martini, with Miguel Sandoval, at Royal Victoria Theatre; Victoria Grand Opera Association, "Faust," Empire Theatre.

June — John Hopper and Helen Louise Oles in two-piano recital at Brentwood College.

July — In connection with Summer Education School at High School: Soo Yong, Chinese monologist; David Tehmar and Dorothee Jarneck, dancers; Selma Hayes, violinist; Ellen Repp, Swedish contralto; Jan Cherniavsky, pianist; Lee Frier, dance group; Alfred Keller, violin virtuoso; cf Portland; Philip Watts, baritone.

August — Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wilkie, Shakespearean recital at Summer School; Warren Wirtz, pianist, recital at French International Camp, Shawigan.

October — Arthur Benjamin, under Musical Art auspices, Empress Hotel; Gertrude Huxley Green and Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, under Sir Ernest MacMillan, Royal Victoria Theatre; Sir Ernest MacMillan and Selma Hayes at Empress Hotel; Rose Bampton and Ossi Renardy, Royal Victoria Theatre.

November — Hart House Quintette,

of Toronto, and Arthur Benjamin, pianist, at Empress Hotel; Anthony Williams' Red Cross benefit recital, Metropolitan Church; San Francisco Opera Ballet, Royal Victoria Theatre; Lucy Monroe, operatic soprano, and Mr. Bristol, pianist, sponsored by Community Concerts.

December — Victoria Orchestral and Choral Union, "Messiah," Christ Church Cathedral; visit of Maurice Colbourne-Jones Company in George Bernard Shaw's "Geneva" and Maurice Colbourne's "Charles the King."

### ST. MARTIN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Martin's Sunday School held its annual Christmas supper and concert recently. Rev. Canon Stocken presented prizes to the winners who had high marks for lessons during the year. Afterwards a concert was enjoyed by the parents and friends of the children.

The children taking part were: Joan Hemsworth, Catherine Smith and Evelyn Hemsworth, piano solos; song by Maryan Leung; dance by Marjorie Passmore, Yvonne Cammidge, Muriel Pierce, Frances Lamont, Nora Nash and Maryan Leung; recitation by Marcia Western; dance by June Tuson, and piano solo by Bulah O'Neill.

The pupils of Miss Betty Clair came to entertain the children with songs and dancing, which was very much enjoyed by everyone.

Canon Stocken, Mr. Barclay, Sunday school superintendent, and teachers thank all who donated gifts.

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### Clubs and Societies

Sherwood Auxiliary W.M.S.

At a recent meeting of the Sherwood Auxiliary W.M.S. held in the parlour of Belmont United Church, the following officers were elected for the new year: Honorary president, Mrs. Frank Grant; president, Mrs. M. H. Bishop; first vice-president, Mrs. C. C. Perry; second vice-president, Mrs. Bryce Wallace; recording secretary, Mrs. Stanley Fraser; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. O. Perry; treasurer, Mrs. Walton Chapman; associate helpers and community friendship, Mrs. Alma Vray; temperance, literature, and library, Mrs. F. W. Laing; missionary monthly, Mrs. A. Groves; mission circle, Mrs. W. B. Johnston; mission band, Mrs. Murray; and supplies, Mrs. G. A. Butler. Mrs. F. W. Laing presided at the meeting receiving the reports for the year, which showed advances in all departments. Refreshments were served at the close by the hostess, Mrs. Bryce Wallace.

United Church W.M.S.

The Presbytery executive of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church will meet in the First United Church parlors on Friday at 2:30 p.m. Miss Herbert, missionary to the Japanese, will conduct the devotional period. Final plans will be made for the annual meeting to be held in First United Church on January 24, 25 and 26. A good attendance of all secretaries, presidents and leaders would be appreciated.

Trades and Labor W.A.

The W.A. to the Victoria Trades and Labor Council held the regular monthly meeting, Mrs. Skett presiding. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Skett, after which refreshments were served from a beautifully-decorated table. The members departed expressing thanks and good wishes to Mrs. Skett, who has recently recovered from an illness.

Reunion Dinner

The British Columbia Telephone operators will hold their annual reunion dinner on Tuesday, January 9, at 7 p.m. in David Spencer's dining-room. All operators should telephone E 4992, not later than January 4, for reservations.

St. Matthias' W.A.

The St. Matthias' branch of the W.A. will hold a meeting on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Miss M. E. Rathbone will be guest speaker and her subject will be "The Sudan."

Day of Prayer

The W.C.T.U. annual day of prayer will be held on Thursday, January 9, at 7 p.m. at the Y.W.C.A. Mrs. W. H. Gibson will give a message for the New Year.

Alexandra Lodge

Princess Alexandra Lodge No. 18, Daughters of England, will meet on Thursday in the S.O.E. Hall at 7:30 p.m. Installation of officers will take place.

Langford Guild

The annual meeting of St. Matthew's Women's Guild, Langford, will be held on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Stuart Yates.

St. Martin's Branch

St. Martin's branch of the Mothers' Union will hold its meeting at the home of Mrs. Butterfield, 475 Obed Avenue, at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Jubilee W.A.

Members of the Senior W.A. to the Royal Jubilee Hospital will hold their sewing meetings on January 3 and 10.

Catholic League

The Equinault Catholic Women's League will hold its monthly meeting in Lady Queen of Peace Hall at 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

C.C.F. Auxiliary

The C.C.F. Women's Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

### Belmont Sunday School Children Are Entertained

Junior, intermediate and senior Sunday school members of Belmont Sunday school were entertained to dinner on Thursday evening by the Ladies Aid. The church was crowded and everyone enjoyed the excellent fare provided by the ladies. After dinner carols were sung and a good programme presented. Interspersed throughout the programme, Mr. Thorburn, superintendent of the school, showed a number of motion pictures which were well received.

Among those taking part were: Doreen Knott, piano selections, Ronald Smith, solo; Beverly Knott, recitation; members of Mrs. Johnston's class, "A Bygone Christmas"; members of the Young People's Society; a burlesque on the old-fashioned melodrama.

Short messages were given by Mr. Thorburn and Rev. Bryce Wallace, who presided. Distribution of candies and apples were made at the close of a pleasant evening.

The primary school had its Christmas treat last Wednesday, when, under the direction of Mrs. W. Harwood, games were played and projects worked, and later Santa Claus gave gifts to all children present.

**Welsh Folk Hold New Year Party**

The Victoria Welsh Society held a New Year party last night at the home of Mrs. R. S. Williams, Dal-

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house Street, when some three score members enjoyed an evening of fun and frolic. David Evans, president of the society, acted as chairman for the evening's festivities. Party games were played and brought much amusement to those taking part, and community and individual singing was a popular feature of the night. A special guest was Miss Jones, who recently arrived here from Wales, and who had many interesting things to relate to the members, as she told of present-day conditions in their homeland.

The committee responsible for the entertainment and the catering included Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. R. Mason.



# Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest



## Social and Personal

### Entertaining Today

Miss Marjorie Delf and Miss Phyllis Dodsworth will be hostesses at the tea hour this afternoon, when they will entertain their friends in the lounge of the Empress Hotel. Presiding at the tea and coffee urns will be Mrs. Delf, Mrs. Dodsworth, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Clearhouse, Mrs. Noreen Friker, Georgina Dowdall, Bunty Maynard and Louise MacBride, and assisting in serving will be Misses Diana Ker, Alice King, Wanda Ross and Sheila MacArthur. The invited guests include Misses Elsie Appleyard, Nancy Aseltine, Jane Barter, Audrey Boorman, Sheila Boorman, June Burnett, Bernice Burnett, Mary Bridges, Betty-May Cameron, Marion Carter, Bernadette Corcoran, Betty Coffer, Lenore Crawford, Pat Dawe, Gwen Dodsworth, Georgina Dowdall, Marjorie Dodsworth, Thelma - Dopp, Davina Dinkwall, Phyllis Dickenson, Doreen Dodsworth, Louise Eaton, Audrey Eberts, Noreen Friker, Betty Francis, Fern Fitzsimmons, Ursula Hills, Lucy Huzzy, Jane Holland, Mildred Irwin, Pam Jones, Sue Jones, Diana Ker, Daphne Ker, Alice King, Doreen King, Vera Kennedy-Smith, Margery Lindgren, Connie Lindner, Louise MacBride, Laura MacBride, Sheila McCabe, Pam McConnell, Sheila MacArthur, Doreen Murray, Betty Mulliner, Bunty Maynard, Peggy Murray, Barbara Miller, Irene Murray, Mary Nokes, Mabel Nicol, Mary Orme, Rousie Penrice, Denise Postinger, Sylvia Petch, Agnes Proudfoot, Suzette Pimley, Anne Ridewood, Wanda Ross, Peggy Reid, Lorraine Saul, Grace Stuart, Joyce Scurren, Marjorie Timberlake, Betty Thatcher, Muriel Thatcher, Evelyn Taylor, Joy Winsky, Joyce Winsky, Josephine Wilson, Pat Williams, Gwen Wright and Zelma Wille.

### No-Host Party

Bunches of gaily-colored balloons, evergreen and Christmas trees made a charming setting for the no-host dance and Christmas party held in the Royal Oak Hall on Wednesday. Old and young alike joined in the games, Old Country dances and songs. A buffet supper was served from candle-lit tables, and the party ended with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem. Those arranging parties included Mr. and Mrs. T. Arnold, Miss Ruth Arnold, Miss Helen Arnold, Miss Doreen Arnold, Mrs. Hughes Elk Lake, Captain and Mrs. Maurice Burdige, Miss Spill Burdige, Miss Lesley Burdige (Colwood), Mr. and Mrs. A. Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Corry, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Gough, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hobbs, Miss Jennifer Hobbs, Miss Ethel James, Mr. and Mrs. B. Jenkins, Miss Diana Jenkins (William Head), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee, Mr. Gordon Lee, Miss Livingstone-Learmonth, Miss Pauline Learmonth, Miss Nina Greig, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Monckton, Miss Sylvia Monckton, Mr. John Monckton, Mr. George Monckton, Mr. and Mrs. C. Oldfield, Mrs. Oades, Miss Kathleen Willoughby, Mr. and Mrs. Pethick, Mr. D. Pethick, Mrs. Reeves, Mr. John Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Robert, Miss Margaret Roberts, Mr. Peter Roberts, Mr. Charles Robert, Mr. R. Ruston, Mr. Colin Rutherford, Mrs. Travers and Miss Travers, Mr. and Mrs. V. Robinson, Miss Joan Robinson, Miss Lynn Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Stursberg, Major and Mrs. Brand, Mr. and Mrs. Tolson, Mr. Hugh Gaskell and Rev. S. J. and Mrs. Wickens.

### At Supper Dance

The Richardson twins, attractive and talented dancers from New York, appeared at the supper dance at the Empress Hotel last night, and were received with rounds of applause by the crowd of 300 persons, who joined in the merriment of the evening in the Crystal Ballroom. The twins gave two numbers, "The Dance of the Bellhops," in which they wore smartly cut white flannels with silver trimming, silver and white military-style tunics and silver and white pillbox hats. In their second number, "The Dance of the Vagabonds," they wore green and white Russian costumes, this number being particularly attractive. The twins are here to take part in the New Year's programme as entertainers at the hotel, and their appearance last night was a delightful surprise. Among the larger parties were those arranged by the following: Mr. J. Strong, with sixteen; Commander H. Hodgins, with twenty; Mr. R. Hodge, with eight; Mrs. I. C. Brill (Portland), with seven; Mr. T. C. Bryden, with twelve; Mr. D. B. Nickerson, with six and Mr. C. E. Blaney, with six.

### Entertain at Home

A jolly dance was held on Thursday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Gill, St. Patrick Street, when their daughter, Daphne, and son, Eric, entertained their friends. Silver bells, holly and an illuminated Christmas tree gave the room a festive appearance. Several novelty dances caused much merriment. The prize winners for the statue dance were Miss Jean Beckwith and Mr. Bob Doe. Mr. Harry Fernie acted as master of ceremonies. The invited guests were Misses Leslie Snellgrove, Betty Paul, Rita Strauchan, Jocelyn Cave, Ruth Higgins, Jessie Hepburn, P. Y. Miles, Betty Ann McCarter, Audrey Duncan, Jean Beckwith, Pat Wilson, Gladys Harrison, Betty Enoch, Vivian Denham, Barbara Owen, Dorothy Adams, Audrey Weston, Pauline Gill, Audrey Bowman, and Messrs. Dick Higgins, Bill Westwood, Stanley Mills, David Simpson, Athol Sutherland, Brenda Woodward, Joan and Doreen Tomlin, Louise McBride and Joan Duncan.

### Children Entertained at

In honor of his niece and nephew, Jeanette and Richard Paterson, Mr. Austin Goward entertained yesterday afternoon at a jolly party. The children were first taken to the home of Captain and Mrs. A. Ramsay, where their clever cat Ulysses, who was featured in the movie, "Tom Sawyer," delighted them with



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his novel tricks. Afterwards, the young guests had tea at Mr. Goward's home on Transit Road. A small village, brightly-lighted and set under drooping long-needle pine trees, centred the tea table. Games were enjoyed after tea. The guests were Elizabeth, Joan and Teddy Hart, Jill and Jack Watson, Antoinette and Jill Robertson, Diane Bevan, Bill King, Jeannette and Richard Paterson, Galt Elkington, Alan and Ronald Wilson, Brooke Stephenson, Jr., and Reid Paige Clark, Jr.

### Tea at Empress Hotel

There were approximately 300 guests at the Empress Hotel during the tea hour yesterday and Christmas greenery combined with Spring flowers in making the lounge fragrant and attractive. Among those entertaining was Mrs. F. W. Francis, who was hostess at a tea party for her daughter, Miss Betty Francis. The tea table was centred with a bowl of chrysanthemums and narcissi and was presided over by Miss Beverly Armstrong and Miss Sage Day.

### Wedding Anniversary

An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Clare, 539 Lamson Street, on Friday, the occasion being their silver wedding. They were married in St. Clement's Church on December 26, 1914. They were presented with many lovely gifts, and the rooms were decorated with pink and red carnations and chrysanthemums. Among the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. S. Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. D. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rafter, Mr. and Mrs. G. Clare, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. S. Keyworth, Messrs. S. Callow, S. Mitchell, A. Blakenmore, Messrs. N. Blakenmore, Joyce Noel, Marjorie and Winifred Clare, Messrs. Rowton, Bevis, Talbot and Masters G. Rafter and S. Mitchell.

### Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Simpson, North Road, entertained at a surprise party given in honor of the birthday of Bob Scott. During the evening games and dancing were enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. Campbell. The guests included Misses Gladys Drane, Molly Raper, Goldie Rodman, Grace Hodgson, Ida Rieki, Victoria Rodman, Sophie Dickson, Winnie Estridge, Betty Williamson, Messrs. Ray Thomas, Donald Simpson, Arthur Sage, Jack Knowles, Charles Scott, Alan Sode, Victor Sage, Albert Travis, Bill Estridge, Ed Sage, Bert Simpson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell.

### Farewell Party

Miss Ivy Salter, who is leaving shortly for Halifax to be married, was guest of honor at a shower held at the home of Miss Hazel Carter. Master Brian Carter presented the gifts to the bride-to-be. The evening was spent in playing games, the winners being Mrs. J. Framp-ton and Mrs. J. R. Watson. The invited guests were Misses Ruth Burwash, Mona Oller, Joyce Oller, Barbara Dawson, Jean Dawson, Margaret Russell, Cora Carter, and Messrs. R. Reid, J. Framp-ton, J. R. Watson, E. Rathbone, A. Knapp, K. MacDonald, W. E. Salter, E. Carter and Master Brian Carter.

### Married in Ottawa

The wedding of Winnifred Nora Hayes, youngest daughter of Mr. W. Hayes, was celebrated in Ottawa.

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A. Hayes, Oak Bay, and the late Mrs. Hayes, and Lieut. Edgar A. Marshall, R.C.O.C., Winnipeg, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Marshall, took place in Ottawa at St. Patrick's rectory on December 19, with Rev. Father Murray officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Clyde Savage, Victoria, who accompanied her East, and the groom was supported by Lieut. J. Pierce, R.C.O.C. Lieut. and Mrs. Marshall will make their home at 548 MacLaren Street, Ottawa.

### Gave Tea Party

Mrs. C. Pomeroy, Newport Avenue, entertained yesterday afternoon for her daughter, Mavis, when several of her school friends came in for games and tea. The table was prettily arranged with its novelty favors made of red and green candies and centred with a basket of bright fruit, lighted by red candles. Those present were Patricia McClellum, June Blundy, Phyllis Webb, Margaret Jeffrey, Betty Hutchison and Mavis Pomeroy.

### Wedding This Week

The marriage of Miss Nora Fraser, R.N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser, of Craig, Sask., to Mr. Reginald Hayward, Jr., second son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hayward, 2150 Oak Bay Avenue, will take place quietly on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay. Ven. Archdeacon Nunns officiating. The bride-to-be is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital.

### Intermediates' Dance

The Intermediate Musical Art Club will hold its annual dance on Friday, January 5, at the Russian Baller Hall, 737 Fort Street. The dance, which will be open to members and their friends, is being given by Miss Beatrix Griffin and Mrs. R. D. McGraw, and will begin at 8:45.

### Flew from Hollywood

Mrs. Blanche Walther, who is secretary to the young actor-producer, Orson Wells, in Hollywood, flew from California to make a ten-day visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Captain and Mrs. Gordon Evans, Estevan Avenue.

### In Seattle

Miss Frankie Alexander, 51 Marlborough Street, is spending some time in Seattle with friends and will return home on January 8. Her sister, Miss Evelyn Alexander, who is also in Seattle, will return home on Friday.

### Return from Honeymoon

Mr. and Mrs. Nigel Tomlin (nee Dixon) have returned to the city after spending their honeymoon at Harrison Hot Springs, B.C., where they were guests at the Hot Springs Hotel.

### Back from England

Major J. Wise, who has been spending the past few months in England, has returned to Victoria and is staying at the James Bay Hotel.

### From New Westminster

Dr. and Mrs. L. G. C. d'Easum are here from New Westminster, spending the week-end with Dr. d'Easum's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barr, Rockland Avenue.

### From Brandon

Mr. J. E. Matthews, M.P. and Mrs. Matthews, Brandon, Manitoba, are visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Matthews, 707 Linden Avenue.

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### Back from Seattle

Miss Ellen O'Rourke, who has been spending the holiday in Seattle, has returned to her home on Pakington Street.

### Informal Party

Mrs. G. Wolverson, "Robinwood," Uplands, was hostess at a cocktail party yesterday afternoon in celebration of the holiday season.

### Here from Seaside

Mrs. William E. Frick, Seaside, Pa., is visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. W. Benning, Rockland Avenue, for several weeks.

### Women's Institutes

#### VICTORIA

The first Friday social meeting of the members of the Victoria Institute will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. M. Brown is the convenor, and a programme is being arranged by Mrs. Watt and the Georgian Chorists.

#### VIMY

A jolly party was held under the auspices of Viny Institute on Friday evening in Viny Hall. The early part of the evening was spent by the children playing games, after which the institute president, Mrs. E. R. Weismiller, introduced an enjoyable programme of recitations by Derek Weismiller, Carol Auchin-achne, Elaine Payne, Vernon Weismiller, Pat Ellingson and Stephen Auchinachie, vocal solos by Betty Deuchars, Billy Bergeron, and Jean Ellingson, who sang cowboy numbers, accompanying herself on the guitar; tap dance, Doreen Auchin-achne; accordion solo, Leonard Rine; and carol singing by a group of children. Santa Claus (Mr. T. C. Robson) was greeted with cheers and, assisted by Mrs. G. Spinks and Mrs. T. A. Payne, he gave each child a bag of candy and nuts and horns from the prettily decorated sleigh. Supper was served to the children. Lance-Bombardier John Muir delighted the audience with two vocal numbers. Dancing was enjoyed and supper served later to the adults.

#### Committees in Charge

Children's entertainment, Mrs. T. C. Robson, Mrs. Spinks and Mrs. Payne; supper, Mrs. J. Ring and Mrs. E. Viola, assisted by Mrs. J. N. Ellingson, Mrs. A. Stannard, Mrs. J. Bergeron; hostesses, Mrs. Weismiller and Mrs. Ellingson. Mr. G. Robson and Mr. Robson helped in preparatory work. Music was supplied by members of the community under the direction of Mr. G. May and Mr. Bob Weismiller. Mrs. J. Wood had the misfortune to fall and break her wrist while coming to the party. She was taken to Duncan Hospital.

#### C.G.I.T. NOTES

##### FIRST UNITED

An enjoyable concert was given by the First United C.G.I.T. on Friday evening. Each group's hand-work was shown to the parents and friends of the girls. The programme included a play, "Two Christmas Boxes," presented by Miss Black's group; vocal duet, Nan Wilson and Jean Sargison; pianoforte solo, Evelyn Pepper; skit, "A Day on the Farm," by Miss Peden's group; recitation, Velma McLozie; piano duet, Barbara Munro and Peggy Pepper; recitation, Jean Foxall; vocal solo, Mary McLozie; and play, "Christmas Everywhere," by Miss Munroe's group. A silver collection was taken in aid of the Indian mission fund.

##### Gonzales Chapter

The monthly meeting of Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held at headquarters on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

##### Camosun Chapter

Camosun Chapter will meet on Friday at 2:30 p.m. at headquarters. Nominations for officers will be received.

##### CONCESSIONS

The building committee, comprising F. C. Blake (chairman), Mrs. G. F. W. Jennings, H. Walker, Edgar Blake and Mrs. W. Witty was congratulated upon its excellent achievement. The names of voluntary workers, hall donors, and business firms who contributed were made known.

##### Among those present

were H. H. Poxley, K.C., E. V. Finland, M.P.P., C. E. Whitney-Griffiths, F. S. Cunliffe, Alan Chambers and Reeve A. Leckley.

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Aldermen W. H. Davies and Burges  
Gadden, Sergeant Stanley James,  
C. A. Gill, Dave Lewis, captain,  
Nelson Goodwin, master of cere-  
monies; Buddy Fisher, stage man-  
ager, and Miss Marjorie Dixon, ac-  
companied.

Artists assisting on the pro-  
gramme will be: An orchestra from  
the H.M.S. Caradoc; Stewart's Old-  
Time Orchestra; the Five Canucks  
Orchestra; pupils of the Russian  
Ballet School and Florence Clough's  
School of Dancing; 16th Scottish  
Ottar Point, variety comedy; Dor-  
othy Parsons, songs; Gwen Dewar,  
Scottish songs; James McGrath, com-  
edy; Bessie Hope, tap dancer; Ray  
Hunt, eccentric dancer; Lorne  
Richie, songs; Dorothy Davies,  
comedy; John McAllister, songs;  
Beryl King, tap dancer, Seaton  
Rednap, accordion; Betty Cuit,  
acrobatic action; and Hae Roe-  
Kelley, comedy. A public address  
system will be installed, with Nel-  
son Goodwin as master of cere-  
monies. Ladies are invited to at-  
tend the affair.

A special meeting of Municipal  
Chapter will be held at head-  
quarters on Wednesday morning at  
10:30 o'clock.

The monthly meeting of Gon-  
zales Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held  
at headquarters on Tuesday at  
10:30 a.m.

Camosun Chapter will meet on  
Friday at 2:30 p.m. at head-  
quarters. Nominations for officers will be  
received.

CONCESSIONS  
The building committee, comprising  
F. C. Blake (chairman), Mrs.  
G. F. W. Jennings, H. Walker, Edgar  
Blake and Mrs. W. Witty was  
congratulated upon its excellent  
achievement. The names of volun-  
tary workers, hall donors, and busi-  
ness firms who contributed were  
made known.

Among those present were H. H.  
Poxley, K.C., E. V. Finland, M.P.P.,  
C. E. Whitney-Griffiths, F. S. Cun-  
liffe, Alan Chambers and Reeve A.  
Leckley.

Dancing followed to a popular  
five-piece orchestra. Prizes were

won by the following: B. Swindell,  
W. Yardley, Mrs. H. Walker and  
David Scholten. Refreshments were  
served by Mesdames F. C. Blake, H.  
Walker, H. E. Bell and G. Munsel-  
white.

A dance will be held in the new  
hall tonight, from 12 m. to 6 a.m.

THE OTHER SIDE  
Misses, who is engaging a "gen-  
eral": "I suppose you have some  
good references?"

Servant: "No, ma'am, I haven't  
any at all."

Misses: "But that won't do—I  
really must have some references!"  
Servant: "Oh, that'll be all right,  
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vance!"

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# Society and Women's Affairs

## CHRISTMAS PARTY IS HELD BY CLUB

Children of members of the Equimuit Community Club, their parents and friends, numbering approximately 100, attended the third annual Christmas tree held in St. Paul's Church Hall yesterday evening between the hours of 5 and 9.

Presents were distributed to the children from beneath a colorfully lighted tree by R. McVie, who played the role of Santa Claus, assisted by Mrs. McVie, president, and the youngsters afterwards enjoyed games and community singing. Nellie Naylor and Herbert Leggett, won the girls' and boys' prizes, respectively, for musical chairs, and a recitation was contributed by Irene Thomas.

The grand march was then held and each youngster received a bag of candy, oranges, etc. A sil-down supper was also served the children.

Mrs. W. Petrie was convener of the committee which arranged the affair, and was assisted by Mesdames J. Naylor, J. Maynard, S. Vincent, A. Gates, M. Parkes and R. Garrell. Mr. Vincent was master of ceremonies.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**GRANT-LOUGHAUGH**  
The engagement is announced between Carol, youngest daughter of the late Mr. W. Loughaugh and Mrs. Loughaugh, Seattle, and Mr. John A. Grant, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Grant, 1704 Lullie Street, Victoria. Miss Loughaugh is a graduate of the University of Washington, and was affiliated with the Delta Zeta Sorority. Mr. Grant is a lecturer on garden design. The wedding will take place in Seattle early in January.

**ROSE-McILWANE**  
Mr. and Mrs. W. McIlwane, 916 Colquhoun Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Majore Wynilis, to Mr. Jack Rose, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Rose, Prior Street. The wedding will take place on January 18.

**McLEOD-PETTINGELL**  
Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Pettingell, 427 Powell Street, Victoria, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dolores Theresa, to Mr. Kenneth A. McLeod, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLeod, 1822 35th Avenue West, Vancouver. The marriage will take place at Christ Church Cathedral on Saturday, January 13, at 8 p.m.

## Few Receptions Will Be Held on New Year's Day

NEW Year's Day receptions have been curtailed somewhat this year on account of war conditions.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. E. W. Hamner will receive guests at Government House from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on New Year's Day.

Bishop Cody will receive at the Bishop's House, View Street, from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. The only military "at home" will be that held by the districts officer commanding and the senior officers of Work Point Barracks, when Victorians will welcome the new commanding officer, Brigadier C. V. Stockwell, who arrived here a few days ago. Calling hours at Work Point will be from 11 to 1 o'clock.

Mayor Andrew McGavin and the members of the City Council will be "at home" at the City Hall from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Directors of the Y.M.C.A. will hold open house on New Year's afternoon, starting at 2 o'clock.

There will be no "at home" at the Naval Dockyard or barracks, and the various officers' messes will also be closed. Bishop Sexton and Dean Spencer Elliott will not receive.

## At the Hotels

**BEVERLEY**  
H. P. Hurst, R. M. Hatfield, E. J. Bell, L. Modgilson, Vancouver; E. Davies, R. P. Sproul, W. P. Pringle, Saskatoon; J. Williamson, Youbou; J. M. Starch, Duncan; R. Harding, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. M. Roberts, Nanaimo; H. P. Combs, Quilicum; Mr. and Mrs. Blythe, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stewart, E. A. Threewy, Indian Head; Mrs. A. M. Hughes, Rosanna Hughes, Rodney Hughes, Quilicum; E. Newman, Vancouver; D. C. Vashall, Regina; Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, Ester Point; Mr. and Mrs. Myers, Edmonton; W. Beasley, North Vancouver; S. Surry, Saskatoon; Mr. and Mrs. Ballantine, Comox; Mrs. J. M. McKinney, Nelson.

## INMATES ENJOY GIFTS OF FRUIT

Over 500 Baskets Were Distributed in Hospitals and Homes Yesterday

Those who will be confined to sickbeds and institutions during the New Year holiday were cheered yesterday by gifts of large baskets containing an assortment of fruit, provided from a fund raised by public subscription by Joe North.

It was the third annual distribution made from the fund, and many of the inmates of some of the institutions who had participated in the New Year treat last year were looking forward to yesterday's visit. To others, the gifts came as a pleasant surprise, particularly to the little inmates of children's hospital wards.

Beginning at 9 a.m. Mr. North, Aldermen W. H. Davies and J. A. Worthington, and Percy Fitzsimmons began their tour of the various institutions to present the baskets personally to the inmates, and did not complete their errand of cheer until 1:30 p.m., by which time they had visited every hospital ward and the bedside of those patients in private rooms who were able to receive visitors.

More than 500 baskets were distributed, 180 going to St. Joseph's Hospital, 184 to the Jubilee Hospital, 42 to the Aged Men's Home, 30 by bus to the Soldiers' 38 to the Protestant Orphanage, and 11 to the W.C.T.U. Refuge Home.

## To Sing at Concert

Included in the concert party from one of His Majesty's ships now here is Petty Officer Davey, whose fine tenor voice has previously been heard in Victoria. He will be heard on Wednesday night in the Elks' auditorium, when the party makes its appearance in a concert to aid the Queen Alexandra Soldiers'.

It is probable that this will be the only appearance of the concert party in Victoria, and it is an event that should be outstanding in the Winter's entertainments. Tickets are now on sale at MacDonald Electric Ltd., Douglas and View Streets.

## Y.P.S. NEWS

**ESQUIMALT**  
The Equimuit United Society held a children's party on Wednesday evening in the Sunday school room. The members were dressed as children, and various juvenile games were played. Refreshments were served by a committee including Ruth Morgan and Marge Colton. Prizes for the best costumes were presented to the winners by Mrs. Hood. Ruth Morgan won a prize as the youngest child present, and Arthur Kiteley won the prize for the most realistic and complete costume.

## RED CROSS

**WANT DIRECTORY**  
The gift of a 1938 "Sun Directory of British Columbia" would be very much appreciated for use at Red Cross headquarters, 317 Belmont Building. If any generous person has one to spare, telephone G 3616.

## Anglican Young People

**ST. JOHN'S, COBBLE HILL**  
A Christmas social was held on Friday evening for members and friends of St. John's branch, Cobble Hill. The hall was prettily decorated and a Christmas tree held a small gift for each one. Games were played and refreshments served.

**Back in Victoria**  
Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Luckhart, of Calgary, who spent Christmas in Vancouver, arrived in Victoria on Friday to spend the New Year holiday. They are staying at Craigville.

## Witty Kitty



Nothing is more indicative to a big head than the beginning of a New Year.

## Invalids Are Given Cheer



**PATIENTS** in the two city hospitals and various other institutions yesterday received large baskets of fruit, provided from a fund raised by Mr. North by public subscription for the third year in succession. More than 500 baskets were distributed personally during the day by Mr. North, Aldermen W. H. Davies and J. A. Worthington, and Percy Fitzsimmons. The upper picture shows a little girl in the Jubilee Hospital receiving her gaily wrapped basket. Below, Mr. North and Aldermen Worthington and Davies are shown with members of the Jubilee Hospital nursing staff and a portion of the truck load of fruit baskets.

## WEDDINGS

**DESMAN-WATSON**  
A pretty wedding was held at the home of the bride's parents, 2009 Cameron Street, on December 23, when Jean Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Watson, became the bride of Mr. James E. Desman. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. P. Hicks, an old friend of the family.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Harry Watson, owing to the illness of her father. She wore a navy blue suit with white accessories and was attended by Miss Jessie Wetzel, who also wore a navy blue suit with pink accessories. About forty guests assembled to witness the bride and groom every happiness. They stood under an archway of silver and pink leaves and flowers, a wedding bell being suspended from the centre. The reception room was decorated with flowers and leaves in shades of silver, pink and red.

The bride and groom will make their home in Victoria.

**RECEPTION HELD**  
A reception was held in the new pavilion at the Dominion Experimental Farm, where the guests were received by Mrs. MacQueen, who wore a smart frock of rose-colored silk crepe with a velvet hat and veil, and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations and roses, and Mrs. Marshall, wearing a black sheer ensemble trimmed with white and a corsage bouquet of pink roses and carnations.

Refreshments were served, the bride's table centred with a three-tier wedding cake and silver vases of rosebuds.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall left for a honeymoon in Vancouver, and on their return will reside in their newly-built home on Bazaar Bay Road. For traveling the bride wore a wine-colored boucle coat and felt hat with matching accessories and a corsage bouquet. The groom's gift to the bride was a gold watch.

**MOONEY-BELL**  
The marriage was solemnized at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Rev. Father Buckley officiating, when Alice Miriam, younger daughter of the late Mr. James Bell and Mrs. Bell, 442 Cook Street, became the bride of Mr. John Mooney, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mooney, Winnipeg. Baskets of chrysanthemums were arranged in the church, mingled with Christmas lilies and white carnations. The organist was in attendance and the soloist was Mrs. John Cleri, who sang "Ave Maria."

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Douglas Bell, wore a becoming moss green tailored suit, a small green velvet hat, gold blouse and brown suede accessories. Mrs. Dan MacDonald was matron of honor in a sand and brown frock and turban, and wore a corsage bouquet of gardenias. Mr. William Mooney supported his brother.

The wedding party was entertained at the Empress Hotel, where the guests were received by Mrs. Bell in a grey tailored suit, a blue



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and bonnet who carried a Victorian poise. The bridegroom was supported by his brother-in-law, Mr. Herbert Bood, Nanaimo, and the ushers were the bride's brother, Mr. Bert Ruffell, and Mr. Archibald Dorriswick.

The reception was held at the family home, during which the bridal couple stood before large pots of pink azaleas in front of the fireplace, which was flanked by tall baskets of white chrysanthemums and greenery. Mrs. Ruffell welcomed the guests in a dark green velvet gown and hat, and was assisted by

**SLATER-RUFFELL**  
Standards holding large white chrysanthemums, and fourteen ladies in black and white, made an attractive background for the marriage of Alice Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ruffell, 1026 Monterey Avenue, and Mr. Edward Slater, second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. Slater. Naamoo, which took place in the presence of a large congregation. Rev. A. E. Whitehouse conducted the service, and Mr. Edward Parsons played the wedding marches and accompanied Miss Ina Trail, who sang "Bridal Dawn" as the register was being signed.

A frock of white tulle with a train and bustle back was worn by the bride, who was given away by her father. The fitted jacket had long pointed sleeves, and her hip-length veil was attached to clusters of orange blossoms over each ear. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and carnations.

Miss Audrey Ruffell was her sister's bridesmaid in a pretty frock of pale pink net over tulle, who wore a bandeau of tulle with streamers down the back, falling from a cluster of pink carnations and roses, the same flowers composing the bouquet. The bridegroom's little niece, Audrey Bood, was a dainty flower-girl in a pale blue tulle dress. Kate Greenaway frock

## New Year

**Bus Schedules**

VICTORIA NANAIMO AND ALL UP ISLAND ROUTES—Regular service during entire holiday period.

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JORDAN RIVER ROUTE—December 31, no service, January 1, leave Victoria 9:30 p.m.

CADBORO BAY ROUTE—8 a.m. from Victoria and 8:20 a.m. from Cadboro Bay on January 1.

CORVOY BAY ROUTE—No service on January 1.

KEATING OLD WEST ROAD—No service on January 1.

GORGE, LAKE HILL, BURNSIDE, AGNES, RALPH—Holiday service on January 1.

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## Montreal Market Is Revived by Visions Of New Industries

Outbreak of War Gave Life to Faltering 1939 Stock Period—Aircraft Shares Move Up With Most Base Metal Shares

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—The outbreak of war, its promise of new industries dominating the economic front, gave life to a faltering 1939 stock market. Overnight, the market scene changed from a picture of traders buying briskly of choice stocks, principally the "war babies" which rode the crest of the upswing. There was none of the 1914 confusion in a market already hardened to crises.

The forward drive, carrying many favorites to new peaks for a year or longer, lasted well into October. Then came a sluggish decline, described by chart followers as a corrective movement following the September collapse.

BONUS DIVIDENDS December, accompanied by a flow of "bonus" dividend declarations brought a revival of demand and most issues approached the year end with improvement over the closing prices of 1938. Others, however, failed to overcome fully the losses caused in the cautious trading of the pre-war months.

ly on the first flush of war buying and then fell off when the British Supply Ministry fixed prices for copper, lead and zinc. But they leaped back into prominence in October, when Britain decided to buy 80 per cent of Canada's copper output in the next twelve months. Failure to rally entirely left Nickel and Noranda off about ten points each at mid-December.

Newsprint, purchased heavily on the theory that the premium on United States funds would give the companies more revenue, emerged from 1939 with substantial advances. They were helped, too, by the Russo-Finnish conflict, which some traders believed would hamper Finland's newsprint export.

Price Brothers preferred led with a twenty-point gain at 78, while Bathurst, Dryden, Howard Smith, Donnan, Consolidated Paper, St. Lawrence Paper preferred and St. Lawrence Corporation, issues advanced one to seven points. Alibi issues, distributed by company reorganization plans, finished on the downside.

Buying of farm implement shares was stimulated by promise of a balking of purchasing power from Canada's record wheat crop. Futures are about even with the 1938 closing range. Milling firm issues did better, exhibiting gains of six to fourteen points for Lake of the Woods, Ojibwa, St. Lawrence Flour and Alberta Grain preferred.

AIRCRAFT SHARES The aircrafts soared on news that Canada would become the centre of the Empire air training scheme, but the buying failed to

erase entirely losses suffered earlier in the year. National Steel Car and Canadian Car benefited from a \$25,000,000 railway equipment order but Canadian Car issues eventually receded. National Steel Car, however, clung to a gain of more than nine points.

Textiles and cottons turned in the best gains, with improvements of ten to sixty-seven points for Canadian Celanese, Dominion Textile, Montreal Cottons, Canadian Cottons, Penman's and Wabasso. Banks and utilities, targets for investment demand, advanced steadily in good turnover.

Constructions went ahead on figures showing increased activity in the building industry, while mines and Western oils, their movements influenced mainly by reports from production fields, generally were behind. Oil refinery shares and liquor stocks moved in conflicting directions.

Revised by The Bell Syndicate

### ALL FIGURED OUT

A small crowd had collected to see the departure of the bride and bridegroom, when an old village, passing along the road, met a friend and asked him "What's going on?" By way of reply, he received this bit of philosophy: "It's a man going away 'alf his dinner to get the other 'alf cooked!"

### VERY CUTTING

"Why haven't you shaved this morning, Atkins?" asked the sergeant-major, inspecting the company of recruits. "I have, sir," replied Atkins. "Well," roared the sergeant-major, "next time stand closer to the razor."



"WEAR AND TEAR" "The wear and tear of conscience."—Butler

"Wear and tear," signifying deterioration due to ordinary or constant service, is a phibian phrase with an aristocratic background. Long before the expression was

### Radio Programmes

Summary of Schedule of Victoria and Other Pacific Coast Stations

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7:15 P.M.—Words and Their Ways (KOL)

7:30 P.M.—Uncle Walter's Dushouse (KOL)

7:45 P.M.—Little Black Book (KIRO)

8:00 P.M.—News (CBR, KIRO)

8:15 P.M.—Love a Mystery (KOMO)

8:30 P.M.—The Town (CBR, KIRO)

8:45 P.M.—Twilight Train (KOL)

9:00 P.M.—The Family Man (CBR)

9:15 P.M.—Dance Girls (KOMO, KIRO)

9:30 P.M.—Cavaliers in Drama (CBR)

9:45 P.M.—Local Gov't Forum (KIRO)

10:00 P.M.—Horse Riders Orchestra (CBR)

10:15 P.M.—Riviera and Via Velle (KIRO)

10:30 P.M.—Black Forest Orchestra (CBR)

10:45 P.M.—Nightcap Variety (KIRO)

11:00 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

11:15 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

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11:45 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

12:00 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

12:15 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

12:30 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

12:45 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

1:00 P.M.—The Grand Old (KIRO)

### SAYS PUBLIC WAS FLEEDED OF MILLIONS

ORLANDO, Fla., Dec. 30.—George Henry Garlick, sixty, was arrested in his winter home in nearby Mount Dora yesterday in connection with a lottery that Federal Commissioner Alex Daley said had fleeced the American public of \$50,000,000.

The charge was based on Garlick's activities in originating and promoting the Grand National horse racing charity fund of Liverpool, England, said Postal Inspector Tennyson Jefferson, of Boston, Mass.

A man with a philosophic turn of mind was asked by a friend the secret of happiness. "Make money enough to buy your wife everything she wants," was the reply.

# Spencer's Annual January Sale

## 10 Days of Great Values—Commencing Tuesday, January 2



### Women's and Misses' Handsomely Fur-trimmed COATS

Formerly Priced to \$45.00—Marked for Clearance at

**\$20.00**

A group of very fine Dress Coats designed from plain and nubby wool materials of highest quality. Each coat is lined with satin and trimmed with high quality fur, including Mink, Red Fox, Grey and Black Persian Lamb, Sable and Opossum. A range of sizes and most excellent values at the sale price.

—Mink, 1st Floor

### Sale of BLOUSES \$1.00

Regular to \$2.98, for

These are oddments of sheers, crepes and organzas. All short-sleeved styles with high necklines and mostly small sizes. Wonderful dollar values, but for best choice you should shop early.

No Exchanges, Please

—Blouses, 1st Floor



### Sale of Ladies' UNDERWEAR

COSY KNITTED PYJAMAS Regular \$1.95. On Sale for **\$1.50**

Long and short-sleeved styles in pink and maize shades. An excellent value for this time of year.

WAFFLE KNIT SNUGGIES—Made by Moodies and Turnbulls, and shown in a variety of styles. Pink and white. Small, medium and large sizes. **39c**

CHILDREN'S CHILPRUPE DRAWERS—A selection of oddments to clear at a garment **75c**

WOOL SNUGGIES—Oddments regularly priced to \$1.25, for January clearance **75c**

—Broken Sizes

—Ladies' Underwear, 1st Floor

### 15 Dozen Odd Foundation Garments

Values to \$2.95. For Clearance at **\$1.00**

Not all sizes in each style. This lot includes Front-Lace Corsets, Front-Clasp Girdles, Satin Side-Hook Girdles, Pantie Girdles, Lastex Girdles, broken line of Corsetlets.

### ALSO ODD LINES OF GIRDLES

Regular \$2.95. Value for **\$1.98**

A selection of smart models in Lastex, Lastex and batiste, and a few boned garments. Not all sizes.

No Exchanges, Please

—Girdles, 1st Floor

### RUFFLED MARQUISSETTE CURTAINS

Values to \$1.95. a Pair **\$1.29**

Ruffled Curtains, 2 1/4 yards long and of various widths. Odd lines from our regular stocks to \$1.95 a set. Special for January Sale, a pair **\$1.29**

—Drapery, 2nd Floor

### TWO BIG CRETONNE VALUES

36-INCH CRETONNE AND 30-INCH SHADOW CLOTH in a selection of over a dozen designs. Clearing at the Sale Price of a yard **25c**

36-INCH CRETONNE AND PRINTED SATEEN. Values to 49c a yard. Grouped at, a yard **35c**

—Drapery, 2nd Floor

### TRIMMED MILLINERY And Winter Models

Greatly Reduced for Quick Clearance! This is an opportunity to "freshen up" your Winter coat or afternoon dress with a smart little hat. Still a varied collection of great bargains.

Values to \$15.00

**\$5.00**

for Values to \$8.95

**\$3.00**

for

Values to \$5.95

**\$2.00**

for Values to \$2.95

**\$1.00**

for

ALL IMPORTED EXCLUSIVE MODELS REDUCED TO EXACTLY HALF PRICE!

### ALSO BARGAINS IN FLOWERS

Flowers for coats and tracks . . . a few boxes to be cleared at **25c** and **50c**

—Millinery, 1st Floor

### January Sale of SHOES

OUTSTANDING VALUES IN WOMEN'S QUALITY FOOTWEAR!



#### "TARSAL-EASE" SHOES

Regular Price \$10.50.

**\$7.95**

Sale Price

This well-known make of quality shoes to clear at a big saving. These are shoes that really FIT and have style too! Designed by experts for the utmost comfort. A selection in black kid, brown kid and black suede in OXFORDS and PUMPS. Also blue kid pumps. Sizes grouped 5 to 8 1/2. Widths AA to C.

#### "ARCH-GRIP" SHOES

(By Blachford)

Regular Price \$8.50.

**\$5.95**

Sale Price

This well-known brand of shoes is reduced because size ranges are incomplete. Though there is not every style in each size, the whole group offers a wide choice in Black and Brown TIES and PUMPS and Blue STRAPS and OXFORDS—an opportunity to save on better quality footwear. Sizes grouped 5 1/2 to 8. Widths A to E.

#### WOMEN'S FASHION SHOES

Values to \$6.50.

On Sale at **\$4.95**

Sale Price

Smart, popular styles for street and afternoon wear in black kid and black suede. Medium and high heels. These are broken lines, but all are quality shoes in late style patterns suitable for all tastes and ages.

#### "SMARTLY" EVENING SHOES

Regular Price \$6.00.

Sale Price **\$3.95**

Broken styles and sizes of these popular Evening Slippers grouped for a clearance at big savings. They comprise black satin, white satin, silver and silver and black, in pumps and cut-out models.



—Shoes, 1st Floor

### CHILDREN'S WEAR

At Low Clearance Prices

GIRLS' DRESSES—Values Up to \$3.98—For January Sale **\$1.98**

Fine, all-wool crepes, corduroy velvets and kasla flannel dresses in sizes 4 to 14. A choice of smart styles and colors from which to choose.

CHILDREN'S GAITERS—Values Up to \$1.98—For January Sale **\$1.00**

Warm, fleece-lined gaiters with dome and zipper fastener, in brown, fawn, red and navy. Sizes 2 to 5 years.

CHILDREN'S SNOW SUITS—Regular Price \$3.98—For January Sale **\$1.98**

One piece suits of cosy blanket cloth, in red, green, brown and navy. Made with helmet to match. Sizes 2, 4 and 6.

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor



### ODDMENTS OF CHILDREN'S HOSIERY

Regular 25c and 49c.

For Clearance, a Pair **19c**

Mercerized Cotton Hose in three-quarter length and silk and wool narrow rib long stockings. Broken sizes.

No Phone Orders or Exchanges

—Children's Hosiery, Main Floor

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**DAVID SPENCER LIMITED**

### January Sale of SILKS

All Excellent Grade Silks, Favorite Types and Colorings—Reduced for This Sale

COIN SPOT SATINS—A perfect draping crepe satin in self shades, showing coin spots in shadow effect—black, wine, forest green, brown and navy; 38 inches wide. Former price, a yard, \$1.79. Sale Price **98c**

JACQUARD SILKS—Representing a special clearance line, in smart designs. Shades of black, brown, navy, green and wine; 36 inches wide. Priced for clearance, a yard, **79c**

TAFFETA AND MOIRE SILKS—Several hundred yards of splendid quality taffeta and moire; black and colors. Former price, a yard, 98c and \$1.25. Sale Price, a yard, **79c**

CORD-DE-LAINE—A superior silk and one of this season's new weaves. A very smart weave; crease resisting and in black and staple shades. Former price, a yard, \$1.49. Sale Price **98c**

SELF-COLOR CREPES of very reliable texture and shown in a range of colors—navy, wine, rust, forest green, etc. Former price, a yard, 79c. Sale Price **59c**

FRENCH CHIFFON VELVETS with a close pile and in shades of black, also a few light shades. A velvet suitable for dresses, capes or jackets; 36 inches wide. Former price, a yard, \$1.39. Sale Price **98c**

CREPE-BACK SATIN in lovely shades and a crepe-back weave for evening wear. Drapes perfectly and is uncrushable; 42 inches wide. Former price, a yard, \$1.00. Sale Price **79c**

SHADED TAFFETAS—Suitable for fancy dresses, linings, cushion covers, etc.; 38 inches wide. Former price, a yard, 98c. Sale Price **39c**



#### Women's Handbags

Priced for January Sale **\$1.69**

at

Smart, up-to-date Handbags fashioned from synthetic leathers in attractive styles. A varied choice of frames with either top handles or zipper style. Black, Navy, Brown, Green and Wine shades.

—Purses, Main Floor

#### Women's Umbrellas

Regular \$2.95.

For January Sale **\$1.95**

Gloria Umbrellas, mounted on sturdy paragon frames. Smart novelty handles with tips and ferrule to match. Navy and brown only.

—Umbrellas, Main Floor

### January Sale of WOOLS

4-Ply Heavy Fingering Wools in marled mixtures of green and white, navy and white. Ideal for men's and children's socks and sweaters. Special, a lb. **\$1.49**

BOUCLE DE LAINE WOOL—Odd lines, odd dye lots, and superfine boucle. These are shown in a wide range of shades. Suitable for scarves, bags, sweaters, etc. Former price, a skein, 35c. Sale Price, a skein **19c**

—Wools, 1st Floor



#### Clearance Values in Needlework

Oddments, including cushion covers, cloths, bags, crib covers, etc. A good selection of pieces which formerly sold for much more, grouped to clear at one sale price. Each **25c**

NEEDLEWORK of good quality and in attractive designs. Felt cushions and scarves, children's dresses, bonnet covers, chesterfield sets, etc. To clear, each **50c**

—Art Needlework, 1st Floor

### Sale Values in Comforters

COMFORTERS with clean cotton filling and strongly made for hard wear. Special, each **\$1.89**

COMFORTERS with soft wool filling and covered in attractive cloths. Cozy and full of warmth. Each **\$3.29**

COMFORTERS filled with wool and covering in two-toned reversible satins. Most pleasing in appearance, and even though slightly flawed, a big value **\$4.89**

—Slippers, Main Floor



#### Mill Clearance of Flannelette Sheets

High-grade sheets greatly reduced because of slight imperfections, but with nothing to interfere with their wear.

GREY—

Size 54 x 80,

**\$1.89**

a pair

Size 64 x 80,

**\$2.19**

a pair

Size 70 x 84,

**\$2.29**

a pair

Size 70 x 90,

**\$2.49**

a pair

Size 80 x 90,

**\$2.69**

a pair

WHITE—

Size 64 x 76,

**\$2.00**

a pair

Size 70 x 84,

**\$2.39**

a pair

Size 70 x 90,

**\$2.49**

a pair

PLAID—

Size 70 x 80,

**\$2.25**

a pair

—Slippers, Main Floor

#### CLEARANCE SALE OF HOUSE DRESSES, EACH, \$1.00

This selection includes cotton Dresses in good prints and a few higher-priced spuns. A choice of styles, all with short sleeves and sizes to 46. Shop early for the best values!

—Womenswear, 1st Floor

NO. 17—EIGHTY-SECOND YEAR

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1939

## DOMINOES APPLICATION REJECTED BY B.C. BODY

## Scoring Spree Is Feature of Games In Soccer Loops

Close to 200 Goals Scored in Old Country Matches During the Day—Thirteen Markers Registered in Brighton-Southampton Game—Glasgow Rangers Beaten Again by Morton XI, 3-0

LONDON, Dec. 30 (CP).—Old Country footballers wound up the year with a deluge of games. Thirty-four regional matches today produced 198 goals in the biggest scoring spree of the season to date.

Thirteen goals were scored in the Brighton-Southampton match, the former winning, 9-4. J. Wilson, R. Farrell and J. Davis each scored three goals for the victor. Four goals each were bagged by M. P. Fenton, Middleborough International, J. Payne, Chelsea, and P. Catterick, Stockport County.

League-leading squads had an off day. Norwich City did well to hold the unbeaten Arsenal team to a 2-2 draw, and for a time it looked as though the gunners were to have their colors lowered. The City led 2-0 at halftime, but later its defence cracked under relentless Arsenal attacks.

Glasgow Rangers, pacemakers in the Scottish West Section, were defeated for the second week in succession. In a hard game at Greenock, Morton won, 3-0. Martin netting two goals, Calder the other. Smith, Ranger forward, injured and forced to leave the field in the second half.

**STILL IN LEAD**  
Rangers, with nineteen points, are now only two points ahead of Queen of the South, winner, 2-1, over Queen's Park at Hampden Park. Dawson and Connor tallied for the amateurs.

Falkirk retain the lead in the East Section, but Hearts, who defeated Stenhousemuir, 8-2, are strong challengers. In a home game, Falkirk scored three goals against Ashworth without reply.

Contests were staged in only four of the eight English groups. West Bromwich Albion dominated Leicester City, 5-2, to hold top berth in the Midland Division, but Bournemouth, in South "B," went under at Fulham by the same count, though held to a 1-1 draw at Cardiff. Swindon improved its position over Plymouth Argyle in the Southwest. The Argvies lost by the only goal of the game at Swansea.

A remarkable encounter at Brentford saw Queen's Park Rangers score all their goals in the last twenty minutes to win, 7-0, and go into the

## City Champions During the Past Year

Victory of the Victoria Dominions in the Canadian basketball final against the Windsor squad, Eastern titleholders, featured the local sport spotlight during 1939. The Dominions really won the national crown when they beat out Vancouver Western in one of the most hectic finals this province has ever witnessed. After that the locals took the Winnipeg quintette, Western finalists, without much trouble, and then turned back Windsor in four games, losing the third after capturing the first two in a walk. In the fourth fixture the Victorians raced away to an early lead and coasted into the winning post.

City champions for 1939 follow:

**BASKETBALL**  
Senior "A" Women—Gainers.  
Senior "B" Women—Cardinals.  
Intermediate "A" Girls—Unifys.  
Intermediate "B" Girls—Adverts.  
Senior "A" Men—Dominions.  
Senior "B" Men—Chinese Students.  
Senior "C" Men—Hudson's Bay.  
Intermediate "A" Boys—Eight Aces.  
Intermediate "B" Boys—Bonifers.  
Junior Boys—Y.M.C.A.

**SOFTBALL**  
Women—Cardinals.  
Men—New Method Laundry.

**Sectional Winners**  
"A"—Longhornmen.  
"B"—Esquimalt Athletic Club.  
"C"—Cameron's Lumber.  
"D"—Chinese Students.

**BASEBALL**  
Senior—Pitzer & Nex.  
Second Division—Eagles.

**FOOTBALL**  
First Division—Victoria West.  
Intermediate League—Young Liberals.

Wednesday League—Hudson's Bay.

**TABLE TENNIS**  
Women's Singles—Miss Barbara Mackay.

Men's Singles—Ab Renfrew.

Women's Doubles—Miss Barbara Mackay and Miss Heppell.

Men's Doubles—Mrs. Heppell and R. Dawson.

## Tilden in Four-Set Net Victory Over Fred Perry

DEL MONTE, Cal., Dec. 30 (AP).—Big Bill Tilden today showed that his tennis racquet had lost none of its wizardry with the passing years when he trounced Fred Perry in exhibition singles matches at the Del Monte courts.

Meeting Perry for the first time since his defeat in the national championships, Tilden finished a best-of-five match in four sets with scores of 8-6, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4.

Perry showed flashes of brilliant play, but double-faulted on numerous occasions and was generally erratic.

## TWO SQUADS UNBEATEN IN CAGE LEAGUE

Units and West Road Set Fast Pace in City Basketball Loop

Units cagette squad and West Road senior "B" men's aggregation are the only unbeaten clubs in the Victoria and District Basketball League, according to the official standings announced yesterday by officials.

Eighteen quintettes are playing in the city loop this season, and in all other sections the leaders have tasted defeat once. The keenest race at present is being witnessed in the intermediate "A" boys' division, where three squads, Eight Aces, last season's champions, Caveys and Barons are tied for first place.

West Road's veteran hoopers have beaten all of the other quintettes in the senior "B" men's section in turn, and are leading the second place Quarter Club by four points. In the senior "C" division, Garrison are setting the pace with three victories and one defeat.

Units have played three fixtures and each time finished on the right side of the score. The leaders have scored 110 points with 58 marked up against them. Palm Dairy and Cardinals share second berth, but the former squad has played one less game. Adverts have yet to chalk up their initial victory.

**THE STANDINGS**  
Complete standings follow:

**Women's Section**

| Team       | P | W | L | P |
|------------|---|---|---|---|
| Units      | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Palm Dairy | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Cardinals  | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Adverts    | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

**Senior "B" Men**

| Team             | P | W | L | P  |
|------------------|---|---|---|----|
| West Road        | 5 | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| Quarter Club     | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6  |
| Wimpy's          | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4  |
| Champion & White | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2  |
| Chinese Students | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2  |
| Ramblers         | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0  |

**Senior "C" Men**

| Team         | P | W | L | P |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|
| Garrison     | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
| Com-Bruisers | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Knapps       | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 |

**Intermediate "A" Boys**

| Team          | P | W | L | P |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|
| Eight Aces    | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Caveys        | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Barons        | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Bombers       | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| N.W. Creamery | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

**Women's Doubles—** Mrs. Ron Knott and Miss Phyllis Sluggett.  
**Mixed Doubles—** Miss Gladys McCall and Don Davis.

**GOLF**  
Women—Mrs. A. Dowell.  
Men—Kenny Liffson.

**TENNIS**  
Women's Singles—Miss Paula Merritt.  
Men's Singles—R. V. Hocking.  
Women's Doubles—Mrs. Birley and Mrs. J. C. I. Edwards.  
Men's Doubles—H. Bennett and R. V. Hocking.  
Mixed Doubles—Miss Paula Merritt and H. Bennett.

**BOX LACROSSE**  
Senior—James Day.  
Juvenile—Saanich Young Liberals.

**RUGBY**  
Senior—J.B.A.A.  
Intermediate—Oak Bay Wanderers.

**SWIMMING**  
Senior Women, Free Style—Hazel Smith.  
Senior Men, Free Style—Gordon Lawrence.

Senior Men, Backstroke—Don Davidson.  
Senior Women, Backstroke—Eleanor Peden.

Senior Women, Breast Stroke—Olivia French.  
Senior Men, Breast Stroke—Leonard Stark.

Junior Women, Backstroke—Macrina Boothie.  
Junior Men, Free Style—Barry Taylor.

Junior Men, Backstroke—Art Heathcote.  
**DIVING**  
Senior Women—June Stancil.  
Senior Men—Teddy Rau.

## BELIEVE IT OR NOT

By Ripley



The DEHYDRATE MAN

VANCE VIETH, Pasadena, Calif., HAS TAKEN OFF 5 POUNDS A DAY FOR 20 YRS. IN TURKISH BATHS



MRS. FOSTER IS TWICE AS OLD AS HER DAUGHTER WHO IS TWICE AS OLD AS HER SON WHO IS TWICE AS OLD AS HIS BROTHER. TROY!!!

ALL YESTERDAY'S ITEMS SELF-EXPLANATORY  
Please address all queries to Cartoonist Ripley c/o King Features, New York City, N.Y.

## Pirie Is Awarded Lou Marsh Trophy By the Committee

Canadian Free Style Swimmer Is Given Memorial Silverware by Selection Body for the Year—Mrs. Walton, Mary Rose Thacker and Larry O'Connor Given High Rankings

TORONTO, Dec. 30 (CP).—Bob Pirie, who has broken every Canadian free-style swimming record from 100 yards to two miles, was announced today as winner of the Lou E. Marsh Memorial Trophy for 1939.

The trophy, donated in 1936 by Charles Ring, Toronto sportsman, in memory of the late sports editor of the Toronto Daily Star, is awarded annually to "the outstanding Canadian sports competitor" of the year.

"Selection was made unanimously by a board headed by P. J. Mulqueen, chairman of the Canadian Olympic committee. Other members are Mr. Ring, Elwood Hughes, general manager of the Canadian National Exhibition; T. H. C. Allison, former president of the Toronto Association of Amateur Swimmers, and Oscar Pearson, Toronto Y.M.C.A. executive.

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## ARMY WHIPS NAVY SQUAD

Troufices Caradoc, 24-3, in Exhibition Rugby Match—Carney Stars

Ripping the sailor defense wide open, fleet-footed Army backfield stars yesterday ran wild at MacDonald Park, where the soldiers checked in with a smashing 24-3 victory over the Caradoc in an exhibition rugby match. The khaki-clad Tommies piled up a 14-0 lead at the breather and added nine points in the final stanza. Visitors earned their three points from a free kick in the dying minutes of the one-sided fixture.

Big, red-headed Tom Carney, inside three-quarter, paced the Army rugers to victory by marking up nine of their total points. Jewkes, soldier halfback who did the kicking chores for the afternoon, added six points by converting three of five attempts. Pete Palin, Bernie Clarke and Doug Willard were the other soldier scorers.

Robins accounted for the Caradoc points when he lifted the ball over the crossbar from a free kick late in the game.

**ARMY TOO POWERFUL**  
Outplayed at all stages of the fixture, the visitors never gave up heart and kept plugging away all afternoon against a vastly superior aggregation of ball handlers. Army backs were indeed powerful, with clever Doug Willard, stand-off, turning in one of his best exhibitions of the season. The soldier three-quarter line of Fred Smith and Ken Buxton on the wings, and Tom Carney and Bernie Clarke as insides, played great ball and pulled off a number of spectacular runs.

Sailors opened strongly and threatened out of the picture until the final minutes of the last half. They attacked heavily in the closing moments and, while they managed to come within a few yards of the Army line, were unable to go over for a try.

Whittle, Caradoc, left the field about halfway through the final half with an injured right ankle, and immediately Lieut. Doug Cunningham, Army manager, withdrew one of his players.

Commander Wurtel refereed, and the teams were:

Army—Croft, Bray, Leask, Palin, Patterson, VanDruten, Edmonds, C. J. Smith, Jewkes, Smith, Clarke, Carney, Willard, Buxton and Staples.

Caradoc—McGford, Ellis, Smith, Walker, Neale, Jones, Barry, Thomas, Swift, Harvey, Robins, Barrows, Ayre, Whittle and Jovett.

## PLAYERS MAY APPLY FOR REINSTATEMENT IS RULING OF BOARD

Canadian Basketball Champions Are Ruled Out of Further Competition at Meeting Held in Vancouver—Individual Members of Team May Seek Applications to Play Again

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30 (CP).—The British Columbia Amateur Basketball Association today rejected Victoria Dominions' application for reinstatement in the provincial hoop body, but left a loophole providing for reinstatement of individual members of the 1939 Canadian champion team.

Dominions were suspended by the B.C.A.B.A. several weeks ago after they played exhibition games with United States teams in defiance of the association's orders and failed to present financial statements of the games involved.

When the council of the B.C.A.B.A. met here today a telegram was received from the Victoria team to the effect Dominions were ready to comply with the association's rulings. The council, however, termed the reply "inadequate" and "evasive," and endorsed a resolution of its registration committee, declaring the club ineligible to register as amateurs under the jurisdiction of the B.C.A.B.A.

**RELEASED STATEMENT**  
A statement released by the association said, in part:

"The consensus of the meeting was that endorsement of the resolution, declaring the club had forfeited its right to register as amateur basketball players, was the only possible solution of the situation.

"The association considered the penalties given by the executive were actually very light and the Dominions had consistently refused them.

"The council decided it could not permit a team to break the constitution and defy the association without penalty or it would seriously disorganize basketball."

To provide for reinstatement of individual players of the team, the council instructed the registration committee that it might consider individual applications under constitutional rules.

Delegates at the meeting from Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Revelstoke, West Vancouver and Michel also approved the new draft of the constitution, which will be released next week.

Tentative schedules for the British Columbia play-off series were arranged and the referees' board was reorganized.

**PAGE IS SIGNED TO DEFEND TITLE**  
CLEVELAND, Dec. 30 (AP).—George Page, of Cleveland, has signed to defend his world's bantamweight boxing title against Tony Olivera, of San Francisco, in a fifteen-round bout here February 16, promoter Bob Brickman said today. Page is recognized as champion by the National Boxing Association.

**BETS HEAVY ON TRACKS IN THE U.S.**  
Nearly \$300,000,000 Wagered on Various Racing Strips During Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP).—The "folding money" came rolling into the tracks and the States' coffers from horse racing in the United States more merrily than ever before during 1939.

The Associated Press' annual survey of pari-mutuel betting at tracks and State revenue from the "greenies" during the year showed today record total wagers of \$296,831,035 were made in sixteen states (excluding New York), some \$9,000,000 more than in 1938. Eleven states (New York included) profited to the tune of \$10,412,709, nearly \$750,000 over the 1938 "take," and more than for any other year.

Led by California, where total wagering for the 272 days of racing jumped more than \$9,000,000 to \$75,371,729, for a daily average "handle" of \$277,192, nine of the states showed an increase in total wagering for the year. Highest daily betting average was turned in by Rhode Island, where Gus Q. Player bought \$62,586 worth of tickets each afternoon of the seventy-three-day programme.

This put the little New England state fifth on the list of total wagers, with California, Illinois, Florida and Maryland leading the way in that order. New York probably is well up, too, but since this state's betting at tracks has been done up to now only with handbooks, there is no accurate check. Pari-mutuel machines have been voted in for 1940.

Biggest state profit was that received by California, where the 4 per cent "take" on the "handle" netted revenue of \$3,014,871, some \$369,000 more than a year ago.

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**NEW RECORD**  
McCormick, in leading the first basemen, established a new record for double plays by participating in 153 in 156 games. The old mark was 150 in 145 games by Gus Suhr when he was with Pittsburgh Pirates. Suhr was second in fielding with .994 last season, and Zike Bonura, of the New York Giants, third.

Bonura, incidentally, was one of the examples often cited by opponents of the averages because he led American League first basemen in fielding in three difficult years although notoriously weak defensively. His mark of .992 was one point below the winning figure he had in 1938 with Washington Senators.

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# CHRONOLOGICAL DIARY OF WORLD EVENTS OF 1939 :

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## JANUARY

- 1—(New Year's Day)—Alberta Government announces default of \$1,000,000 debentures.
- 2—Premier Daladier warns Italy France will fight to keep empire.
- 3—Col. George P. Vanier succeeds Hon. Philippe Roy as Canadian Minister to France.
- 5—Royal Commission recommends three-man board to control Ontario motor transport.
- 6—British exchange fund purchases 135,000,000 bullion to bolster pound.
- 7—Tom Mooney pardoned after twenty-two years in prison in connection with bombings in San Francisco in 1916.
- 8—British War Office refuses charges of military "atrocities" in Palestine.
- 10—U.S. Ambassadors Joseph Kennedy and W. C. Bullitt tell Congress committee threat of European war lies in Italy's territorial ambitions.
- 11—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Foreign Minister Halifax acclaimed in Rome on arriving for conference with Premier Mussolini.
- 12—Defence, relief work and trade feature throne speech at Dominion Parliament opening.
- 13—Justice H. H. Davis report on Brea gun contract tabled at Ottawa.
- 14—Death toll of more than 150 estimated in Australian heat wave.
- 15—(Sunday)—British note to Japan states forced economic changes in China will not be accepted.
- 16—Bombing atrocities in London, Liverpool and Belfast blamed on outlawed Irish Republican Army.
- 17—China asks League of Nations for embargo on arms to Japan.
- 18—Britain and France reaffirm non-intervention policy in Spain.
- 19—Hitler appoints Walter Funk to replace Dr. Hjalmar Schacht.
- 21—Three down when Imperial Airways' Cavalier plunges into Atlantic.
- 22—(Sunday)—Armed police guard Chamberlain's home and Sandringham Palace against bomb plots.
- 23—Norman A. McLarty, Windsor, succeeds Hon. John C. Elliott as Postmaster-General, and J. A. McKinnon, Edmonton, appointed minister without portfolio at Ottawa.
- 24—Estimated 30,000 killed in earthquake in Southern Chile.
- 25—Main estimates totaling \$457,241,215 tabled in Commons include \$63,435,176 for defence, Joe Louis defeats John Henry Lewis in defence of heavyweight boxing title.
- 26—Spanish insurgents occupy Barcelona without resistance.
- 27—Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett leaves Canada for retirement in England.
- 28—Lord Chatfield appointed Minister for Co-ordination of Defence in British Cabinet.
- 29—(Sunday)—William Butler Yeats, seventy-three, Irish poet and playwright, dies.
- 30—Hitler says only German demand on Britain and France is for colonies restoration.
- 31—Chamberlain asks "concrete evidence" of German desire for peace.

## FEBRUARY

- 2—Germany announces she will build up to parity with British subs.
- 3—President Roosevelt declares reports he said U.S. defence frontier in France or on Rhine "deliberate lie."
- 4—Jean Drey, new Canadian minister to Belgium and Holland, received by King Leopold.
- 5—(Sunday)—Spanish Loyalist army begins mass flight to France.
- 6—Duke and Duchess of Kent postpone state visit to Northern Ireland because of bomb-plot rumors.
- 7—Arab refuse to sit with Jews at London conference on Palestine.
- 8—Spanish Loyalist Cabinet leads retreat into France.
- 9—Belgian Cabinet of Paul-Henri Spaak resigns. Alex. Henshaws' round trip London-Cape completed in four days, ten hours, forty-three minutes—thirty-one hours cut.
- 10—Pope Pius XII dies at eighty-one after seventeen years in office.
- 11—France asks Japan to explain seizure of Haikuan.
- 12—(Sunday)—Trail Smoke Eaters win world hockey title at Basel, Switzerland, defeating United States 4-0.
- 13—Bren gun contract sent to Public Accounts Committee by Commons.
- 14—Acclamation given Col. George Drew, Ontario Conservative leader, as M.L.A. for Simcoe East.
- 15—Britain adds forty-five warships to 1939-40 building programme.
- 16—Government abolishes guaranteed minimum wheat price. In \$400,000 fire at St. Michel's Archaic Hospital at Quebec 2,500 insane saved.
- 18—Syrian Cabinet resigns in dispute with French, who hold mandate.
- 19—(Sunday)—Soviet Russia and Poland sign trade treaty.
- 20—Chamberlain announces trade mission to Russia.

- 21—Franco-British plan for joint use of man-power and defence resources announced.
- 22—King and Queen visit Tyneside industrial area.
- 23—General Franco declares that Spanish Loyalists charged with treason must stand trial.
- 24—French Cabinet votes recognition of Franco's insurgent Spanish Government.
- 25—Britain announces plan to give up Palestine mandate.
- 26—(Sunday)—President Azana of Loyalist Spain abandons office.
- 27—Jewish delegates at London conference reject proposal for independent Arab state in Near East.
- 28—British Commons uphold recognition of Franco regime in Spain.

## MARCH

- 1—Canada's daily transcontinental air mail inaugurated. Hon. W. D. Herridge announces formation of new political party.
- 2—Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli elected Pope Pius XII. Twenty-eight die in \$800,000 hotel fire at Halifax.
- 3—Sir Maurice Peterson named British Ambassador to new Spanish Government.
- 4—Prague announces 800 Sudeten families have Ottawa's permission to emigrate to Canada.
- 5—(Sunday)—Franco's men oust Spanish Republican Government of Premier Neguri.
- 6—U.S. Senate approves bill to increase Army Air Corps to 6800 war planes.
- 7—Dean Arthur Carlisle elected Bishop Anglican diocese of Montreal.
- 8—Fifty arrested in Baghdad in connection with plot to overthrow Iraqi Government.
- 9—Commons approves U.S.-Canada trade treaty after a long debate.
- 10—Six men and a woman convicted of bombings in Britain given terms of seven to twenty years.
- 11—(Sunday)—Pope Pius XII crowned.
- 12—Slovakia declares independence.
- 13—Dr. Emil Hacha, Czechoslovak President, confers with Hitler.
- 14—Czechoslovak republic collapses. German annexation "indisputable," says Sir John Simon in British Commons. Britain makes \$1,000,000 grant-in-aid to Newfoundland.
- 15—German protectorate established in Slovakia.
- 16—Chamberlain charges Hitler is breaking solemn pledges.
- 17—Premier Daladier voted dictatorial powers, takes steps to increase France's armed forces. Ten persons killed near Alder Wash, when submachine gunner's aircraft falls apart.
- 18—Prime Minister King tells Commons Canada would consider it act of aggression on whole British Commonwealth if Motherland attacked.
- 19—French President and Madame Lebrun pay state visit to London. Britain calls for Russian, French, Polish and British union against German aggression.
- 20—Fascist Grand Council in Rome reaffirms support of Rome-Berlin axis and justifies annexation by Germany.
- 21—Chamberlain says German attempts at European domination will be curbed at any cost. Ontario Legislature demands Ottawa back Britain in time of war.
- 22—Hugh Oswald Workman wins Grand National steeplechase at Aintree.
- 23—Eight drown in British Columbia floods.
- 24—(Sunday)—Mussolini invites France to negotiate colonial questions.
- 25—U.S. Senate votes army \$513,800,000.
- 26—Spanish insurgents take Madrid.
- 27—Spanish Civil War ends with surrender of key Loyalist cities. Chamberlain announces Britain to double Territorial Army to 500,000.
- 28—Prime Minister King declares Canada will not conscript for foreign service.
- 29—Chamberlain pledges British aid to Poland in case of aggression.

## APRIL

- 1—Cambridge defeats Oxford in ninety-first boat race. Canada starts regular transcontinental air passenger schedule.
- 2—(Sunday)—Moderates gain and Socialists and Fascists lose in Belgian election.
- 3—Chamberlain offers British aid to any nation menaced by Germany.
- 4—Canada recognizes National Spanish Government. King Ghazi of Iraq dies from accident.
- 5—Albert Lebrun elected for second term as President of France.
- 6—Anglo-Polish pledge broadened as Poles promise aid to Britain if latter attacked. Prime Minister J. A. Lyons of Australia, fifty-nine, dies.
- 7—(Good Friday)—Italy invades Albania, King and Queen flee.
- 8—Italy completes Albanian occupation.
- 9—(Easter Sunday)—Pope Pius XII makes plea for "justice and charity."
- 10—British Government declares aggression on Greece, Turkey or

- other Mediterranean nations considered "unfriendly act."
- 11—Roosevelt warns Germany and Italy U.S. would be involved if general war instigated.
- 12—Cairo conference to settle Palestine questions opened.
- 13—Labor Minister Rogers announces \$1,000,000 youth training forestry project.
- 14—General Sir Edmund Ironside strengthens Gibraltar defences.
- 15—Roosevelt, in appeal to Hitler and Mussolini, calls for ten-year peace. Ottawa Drama League wins Bessborough Trophy at London, Ont.
- 16—(Sunday)—Forty-five killed as tornadoes lash Southern States. Boston Bruins win Stanley Cup.
- 17—Oshawa Generals win Memorial hockey cup. French liner Paris, 37,000 tons, burned at Le Havre.
- 18—Earl Baldwin at Toronto says Canada model of race amity. Mussolini rejects Roosevelt's overtures, but says Italy favors peace.
- 19—French Government decrees

- by Rumanian gendarmerie at Dobrudja.
- 14—(Sunday)—Empress of Australia breaks through fog and ice zone after delay of three days.
- 15—Canadian House gives third reading to bill, setting the basic wheat price at 70 cents a bushel.
- 16—King invests Capt. Melkie, of Express of Australia, with Royal Victorian Order.
- 17—King and Queen welcomed at Quebec. Russia rejects British peace front plans.
- 18—King and Queen at Montreal. Premier Thane Campbell's government re-elected in Prince Edward Island with twenty-seven Liberal members to three Conservatives.
- 19—King assents to nine bills in first day of Ottawa visit.
- 20—Trans-Atlantic air service started with Yankee Clipper's New York-Lisbon hop. Queen lays Supreme Court cornerstone at Ottawa.
- 21—(Sunday)—King unveils Na-

- of French ship Ben Hur on Grand Banks.
- 12—King and Queen return to Canada, visit Sherbrooke and Lévis.
- 13—Britain, France, Belgium and Holland arrange a temporary haven for 907 refugee German Jews. King and Queen at Fredericton, Saint John and Moncton.
- 14—Their Majesties at Charlottetown, New Glasgow and other points.
- 15—King broadcasts farewell message to Canada before leaving Halifax. British officials demand Japs cease halting and searching British ships. French submarine Phoenix with crew of sixty-three lost off Asia coast.
- 16—Empress of Britain with their Majesties aboard anchors in Concepcion Bay, Nfld. Britain promises "immediate and active" steps to be taken on Tientsin blockade.
- 17—Canada-United States trade pact formally ratified in Ottawa.

- Fernand Rinfret, fifty-six, Canadian Secretary of State, dies.
- 13—Government's 70-cent guarantee price extended to eastern winter wheat.
- 14—Japanese order British to evacuate Kaifeng, in China.
- 15—Vanguard of 200,000 British youths drafted for military service, 30,000 report at barracks.
- 16—(Sunday)—Charlottetown observes seventy-fifth anniversary of Confederation conference.
- 17—Forty military supply trucks and 1,000 Hitler youths reach Danzig.
- 18—President Roosevelt and State Secretary Hull abandon efforts for revision of neutrality laws until 1940.
- 19—Britain provides for deportation of Irish Republican Army suspects.
- 20—Britain grants \$9,000,000 credit to New Zealand—\$5,000,000 for defence. Canadian Anglican missionaries in Kaifeng expelled by Japs.

- ing boat crashes in Rio de Janeiro Bay.
- 14—Party headed by Capt. Rex Gibson, Winterburn, Alta., report scaling four British Columbia mountains hitherto unconquered.
- 15—President Roosevelt arrives at Halifax on United States cruiser Tuscaloosa.
- 16—Senator Rudolph Wlesner, German minority leader, arrested by Poles on charges of spy contacts.
- 17—Poland takes frontier estates for defence purposes.
- 18—Germany seizes Slovakia. Canada and United States sign an agreement governing air transport over the border.
- 19—Pope Pius XI makes plea to European rulers for "peace in our time." Sergt. Norman Beckett, Hamilton, Ont., wins Governor-General's Shield at Dominion rifle meet. Harold McSpadden, Winchester, Mass., wins Canadian open golf at Saint John.
- 20—(Sunday)—Moscow announces long-term trade agreement with Germany. German and Polish troops mass on Slovak-Polish frontier.
- 21—Hitler announces German non-aggression pact with Russia.
- 22—Britain, France and Poland reaffirm decision to fight German aggression.
- 23—Ten-year Soviet-German non-aggression pact signed at Moscow. British reservists warned to be ready. Londoners ordered to darken windows. John Cobb sets new land speed record of 368.8 miles an hour in Utah.
- 24—Chamberlain tells British Commons nation in imminent danger of war. Roosevelt urges Hitler to negotiate with Poland. Commissioner George L. Carpenter, of Canada, elected General of Salvation Army.
- 25—United Kingdom signs five-year military alliance with Poland.
- 26—Sir Neville Henderson flies from Berlin to attend British Cabinet's emergency meeting. France says Germany must negotiate directly with Poland. Prime Minister King sends peace pleas to Berlin, Warsaw and Rome.
- 27—(Sunday)—British Cabinet resumes debate on note to Hitler. Mussolini replies to Mackenzie King he will do utmost to insure just peace.
- 28—Sir Neville Henderson reminds Hitler of British pledge to Poland.
- 29—German troops enter Bratislava, Slovak capital. Poland swells army to 2,000,000.
- 30—British note to Germany refuses to coerce Poland. Germany organizes six-man war defence council, headed by Goering. German liner Bremen leaves New York.
- 31—Hitler reveals sixteen-point programme demanding Danzig and Corridor plebiscite and blames Poland for rejecting detailed peace. Britain mobilizes fleet, calls up entire army reserve.

- King proclaims Dominion's participation. Poles report day-long bombing of Warsaw by Germans. United States applies neutrality law to Canada, placing embargo on arms and munitions.
- 11—Canadian Parliament provides war funds of \$100,000,000. Commons rejects C.C.F. amendment opposing an expeditionary force.
- 12—Canadian war budget increases taxes on liquor, tobacco, tea and coffee; new levies on income and excess profits. Duke and Duchess of Windsor return to England.
- 13—Canadian Parliament prorogues after five-day emergency session. Ten special war bills given Royal assent.
- 14—French take first German prisoners. Poles fall back across Southeastern Poland.
- 15—Russia and Japan agree to armistice in Manchukuo. Loring O. Christie, appointed Canadian Minister at Washington.
- 16—British Admiralty reveals enemy craft have sunk twenty-one British ships with tonnage of 122,843 during first two weeks of war. Fighting on Western Front develops.
- 17—(Sunday)—Russian armies march into Poland along 300-mile front. Soviet Government declares intention to maintain neutrality.
- 18—British aircraft carrier Courageous torpedoed by German submarine, 518 lost. Duke of Windsor appointed Major General on staff in France.
- 19—Hon. Norman Rogers becomes Minister of Defence in Cabinet reorganization. Canada to organize two divisions of troops to be available as expeditionary force if and when required.
- 20—Canadian Government names War Supply Board to replace Defence Purchasing Board.
- 21—Armand Callescu, Rumanian Premier, assassinated at Bucharest; eight pro-Nazi Iron Guardists charged with crime and executed before crowd. Many others killed. Roosevelt urges special session of Congress to abolish arms embargo and substitute "cash and carry."
- 22—French Government estimates German casualties in Poland at 150,000. 400 to 600 airplanes lost and 600 to 700 pilots killed. German-Russian agreement says Soviet three-fifths of Poland, Nazis keeping two-fifths.
- 23—Former German Commander-in-Chief Von Frick killed in action.
- 24—(Sunday)—Warsaw reports 1,000 civilians killed in twenty-four hours of shelling by Germans. Three neutral ships sunk by German forces. Quebec Legislature dissolved.
- 25—French detain German air squadrons in two major air battles.
- 26—France outlaws Communist Party.
- 27—British war budget imposes heaviest taxes in history. Germany announces surrender of Warsaw. Canada-New Zealand trade agreement extended one year.
- 28—Russia acquires Baltic Sea bases in Estonia. British planes beat off German squadron in a tempted air attack on Scotland.
- 29—Royal Air Force unit attacks German ships at Heligoland.
- 30—Turkey ready to ratify mutual assistance pacts with Britain and France.

## OCTOBER

- 1—(Sunday)—Britain calls 250,000 additional men to the color.
- 2—Armed raider sinks British freighter Clement off Brazilian coast.
- 3—Chamberlain in Commons says he will not talk peace with Germany on basis of "mere assurances."
- 4—Premier Duplexis in election campaign declares a vote for him is a "vote for autonomy against conscription." German U-boat lands twenty-eight survivors of a torpedoed vessel at an Irish port then escapes to sea.
- 5—United States takes steps to protect American steamship Iniquus en route from Europe after a German navy warning the vessel would be sunk.
- 6—Major-General A. G. L. McNair, former chief of General Staff, named to command First Canadian Division. Peace proposals made by Hitler in Berlin again.
- 7—Finland debates invitation to confer with Russia, calls up reserve divisions to strengthen nation's neutrality.
- 8—(Sunday)—Russia announces Soviet-German agreement to emergency economic co-operation, exchanging materials and products. New York Yankees win four consecutive world series.
- 9—Thanksgiving Day—British Admiralty reports German aircraft beaten off in repeated clashes with British warships in North Sea.
- 10—Empire-wide air force training programme centring in Canada announced in London and Ottawa.

## Year Ends Amid War and Destruction



War and destruction, as in Poland pictured, horrify the world. Nazi Germany moves against Czechoslovakia and Poland. Russia fights Finland. Britain and France go to war. Italy grabs Albania.



Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, paperhanger turned dictator, becomes the No. 1 news source with conquests of Czechoslovakia, Poland and war with Britain and France, but almost loses his life when a bomb shatters the Munich beer cellar shortly after he finishes speaking.

## OUTSTANDING NEWS EVENTS OF 1939. PORTRAYED BY THE CAMERA

- per cent sales tax for defence purposes.
- 22—Clyde wins Scottish Football Cup for first time in history.
- 23—(Sunday)—Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador to Germany, returns to Berlin after recall to London March 17.
- 24—Parliament extends Chief Justice Duff's term three years.
- 25—Finance Minister Dunning in Dominion budget forecasts \$60,000,000 deficit. United Kingdom boosts sugar, tobacco and death taxes.
- 26—Chamberlain announces Britain will conscript youths of twenty and twenty-one for six months' army service. It is announced British and Canadian flyers to be trained in Canada.
- 27—British House supports conscription 376 to 145.
- 28—Hitler in Reichstag rejects Roosevelt peace appeal; rejects Polish treaty, British naval pact and Munich pledge; makes first formal demands for Danzig, Kottbus and Gdansk. Russian flyers, forced down on Russian Island, N.B., on flight from Moscow to New York.
- 29—Portsmouth wins English Football Cup for first time.
- 30—(Sunday)—President Roosevelt, opening New York's Fair, redesignates United States to international goodwill.

## MAY

- 1—Daniel C. Boyer appointed Minister to Canada from United States.
- 2—Britain departs several suspected German spies. Poland and Russia negotiate for co-operation.
- 3—Russian Foreign Commissar Litvinov resigns and is succeeded by Molotov. W. Rupert Davies, Kingston, succeeds H. P. Duchen, Sydney, N.S., as president of The Canadian Press.
- 4—Chamberlain announces conscription bill not applicable in Ulster, avoiding breach with Eire.
- 5—Poland rejects German demands for return of Danzig.
- 6—King and Queen sail for Canada.
- 7—Pope Pius proposes five-power Vatican pact to settle Polish-German dispute.
- 8—Scandinavian nations reaffirm neutrality.
- 10—Chamberlain assures aid to Russia in event of aggression in Eastern Europe.
- 11—Empress of Australia, bearing Vatican party, departed whole day by fog east of Cape Race. British and French Premiers war against Germany against Danzig coup.
- 12—Britain and Turkey announce pact for mutual aid.
- 13—Bulgaria protests "wild slaughter" of twenty-two Bulgarians

## JUNE

- 1—British submarine Thetis sinks in Liverpool Bay with 103 aboard—four escape.
- 2—Their Majesties at Edmonton.
- 3—Canadian Parliament prorogues. King and Queen at Saskatoon.
- 4—(Sunday)—King and Queen attend church at Portage in Prairie Pro.
- 5—King and Queen descend to 2,000-foot level of Sudbury mine shot fired at Duchess of Kent in London.
- 6—Their Majesties visit Western Ontario cities.
- 7—King and Queen conclude Ontario tour at Niagara Falls.
- 8—King and President Roosevelt pledge Anglo-United States friendship at state banquet in Washington.
- 9—King places wreath on tomb of George Washington. Olympic committee awards 1944 Winter games to Italy and Summer to England.
- 10—Their Majesties visit New York World's Fair.
- 11—(Sunday)—Liner Duchess of Bedford rescues thirty-four crew

## JULY

- 1—Dominion Day—Dr. James Munro Smith, former president of Lethbridge University, held at Brockville, Ont., for return on \$100,000 embezzlement charge.
- 2—(Sunday)—Prime Minister R. G. Menzies pledges Australia's aid to Britain "to the last man and the last shilling" even if it means war.
- 3—Newfoundland announces record expenditure of \$17,116,900 for year.
- 4—League of Nations Commissioner Burckhardt appeals for peace efforts to settle Danzig problem.
- 5—Cloudburst in Eastern Kentucky takes seventy-one lives.
- 6—Premier Baron Hirauma says Britain must recognize Japan's right to build a "new order" in East Asia.
- 7—Dick Burton, Cheshire, wins British open golf title.
- 8—Blackout sixteen Southern English counties to test air raid defences.
- 9—(Sunday)—Spanish powder factory explosion kills 100 injures 200.
- 10—Trade Minister Eul: announces Canada's export trade increased \$71,000,000 for first half of 1939.
- 11—British warships go to Tientsin, North China, following anti-British demonstrations.
- 12—R. C. Vaughan, C.N.R. executive, chosen to organize Canada's Defence Purchasing Board. Hon-

## AUGUST

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- 3—Foreign Secretary Halifax warns British House of Lords, danger of war still persists.
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- 12—Train is derailed in Nevada, twenty-three killed.
- 13—(Sunday)—Fourteen persons killed when Pan-American fly-

- 1—Slovakia adopts constitution as "authoritarian republic."
- 2—High officers relieved of posts in Spanish Army shakeup.
- 3—(Sunday)—Montreal baseball stadium sees 105 Roman Catholic couples in mass marriage.
- 4—Dutch Cabinet formed after crisis.
- 5—It is announced joint aircraft production of British and French now equal to that of Germany.
- 6—United States formally denounces 1911 commercial treaty with Japan.
- 7—Shakeup in Russia strips seven-nine officials of decorations as "unworthy."
- 8—Three train-loads of Irishmen leave London for Dublin as anti-bombing summary deportation effective.
- 9—Twelve thousand British naval reservists join reserve fleet. Ken Black, Vancouver, wins Canadian amateur golf championship.
- 10—(Sunday)—Admiral Sir Dudley Pound made Admiral of the Fleet.
- 11—British and Japan agree on policy of Trenton.

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# Plays and Players

## "Rulers of the Sea" Is Now Showing at Capitol

The heroic struggle to conquer the Atlantic by a ship powered with steam, set in motion by the salty, red-blooded men and women with the courage to bring a dream to triumphant realization, is gloriously told in the new Frank Lloyd production, "Rulers of the Sea," now showing at the Capitol Theatre.

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### AMATEUR UNIT WILL BE HERE WEDNESDAY

With a great line-up of variety talent, Major Bowes' Prize Winner Revue will be presented on the Capitol Theatre stage Wednesday and Thursday.

Selected from the prize winners of the major's 1939 broadcast, this revue is one of the best traveling stage units on tour at the present time and is replete with a number of novelty acts that are spectacular

and sensational. Headed by the Skate O'Manias, in a roller skating act; the Rigoletto Trio, novelty vocalists; and the Harmonica Wizards, the company of entertainers also includes additional double and single acts of outstanding merit. Stubby Kaye is master of ceremonies.

On the screen the feature attraction to be shown is "Reno," starring Gail Patrick and Richard Dix.

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Linda Darnell, Tyrone Power and Wendy Barrie in a Scene From "Daytime Wife," Now Showing at the Dominion Theatre.

## "CAT AND CANARY" AT THE DOMINION

Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard Play Leading Roles in Spine-Chilling Film

When Bob Hope, starred appropriately enough as a wise-cracking radio comedian, becomes involved in tracking down a fearsome, murder-ent creature called "The Cat," the result is a motion picture which yields place to none for sheer, spine-chilling thrills and gag-paced fun. This picture, "The Cat and the Canary," will be shown as the mid-night feature at the Dominion Theatre, tonight, with lovely Paulette Goddard co-starred with Bob.

The chills and fun get under way—as they did in the great stage play on which the picture is based—when seven people come to a mansion in the Louisiana bayous to hear the will of the deceased owner. All but one of them are potential heirs. When Paulette Goddard becomes the heiress, she is immediately menaced by a hairy, murderous creature called "The Cat."

In the supporting cast are John Beal, Douglas Montgomery, Gale Sondergaard, Elizabeth Patterson and George Zucco.

## MARX BROTHERS INVADE CIRCUS

Biggest Show on Earth Is Scene of Boys' Latest Escapades Tonight At Capitol Theatre

With the Biggest Show on Earth as their background, the Marx Brothers return to the screen in "Marx Brothers at the Circus," showing as the midnight feature at the Capitol Theatre tonight. The Biggest Show is a three-ringed stream-lined circus, with menagerie and midway, which was built especially as the setting for the latest antics of the Mad Marxians—Groucho, Harpo and Chico.

"Marx Brothers at the Circus" is a hilarious musical comedy that takes the audience behind the scenes of a stream-lined circus while the Marxes run rampant. Harpo and Chico are circus employees and friends of Kenny Baker, park owner, about to lose his share of the big show through the connivance of Nat Pendleton, the strong man; Eve Arden, the upside-down girl; and Jerry Mawohl, the midge. They call in Groucho, their lawyer friend, who finally saves the circus by staging it as a society function on the front lawn of Mrs. Dukebury, played by Margaret Dumont.

He—I'm thinking of asking some girl to marry me. What do you think of the idea?

She—It's a great idea, if you ask me.

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CITY'S CLIMATE  
IS SUMMARIZEDReports Show Absence of  
Extremes—Mean Tem-  
perature Above Normal

Climatically one of the mildest years on record was experienced in Victoria during 1939, according to a summary of weather recordings for the twelve months, issued by the Dominion Meteorological Observatory yesterday, one day before the close of the year.

There were no extremes of heat or cold, and the mean temperature for the year was 51 degrees, 1 degree above normal, and there was only one fall of snow, in February, amounting to 2.8 inches. The coldest day of the year, February 8, brought only 8 degrees of frost, when the thermometer dropped to 24 degrees. August 2 was the hottest day, with a maximum temperature of 87 degrees.

However, bright sunshine during the year was 97 hours below normal.

totaling 2,130 hours. Precipitation totaled 26.48 inches, which was .65 of an inch below the average.

December this year has been an unusually mild month, with a mean temperature of 46 degrees, which is 5 degrees above normal. The highest temperature readings were 55 degrees, on December 5, 10 and 26, and the lowest was 33 degrees, on Christmas Eve. Rainfall for the first twenty-nine days of the month totaled 5.2 inches, which is .53 of an inch above the December average.

## VICTORIA COLLEGE

Records kept at Victoria College by Napier Dennison, in conjunction with other research work which he is carrying out, show that the mean annual temperature there was 52 degrees, 2 degrees above average; the highest temperature, 87 degrees, being recorded on August 9, and the lowest 24 degrees, on February 8. Rainfall for the twelve months totaled 28.28 inches and the total precipitation was 28.55 inches, which was 1.42 inches above average. In February, 2.7 inches of snow was recorded.

The weather summary for December, from recordings at the college, showed a mean temperature of 46.4 degrees, 5 degrees above average; a maximum of 57 degrees, on December 10, and a minimum of 32 degrees, on December 24. Rainfall, totaling 5.88 inches, was 1.2 inches above the December average. The heaviest rainfall in twenty-four hours was .87 of an inch, on December 15. Rain fell on twenty-one days.

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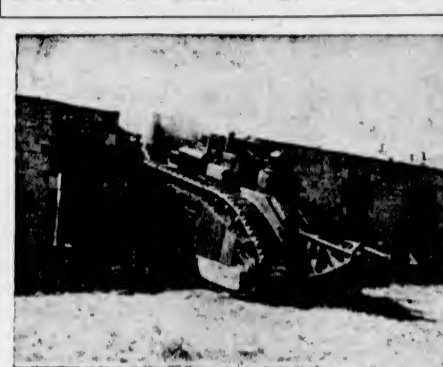
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## Scene From War Picture



A Scene From "France Is Ready," the Midnight Show Tonight at the Plaza Theatre.

mountains, with every part of the body covered.

Daylight lasts two hours, in which time the sun paints everything blood-red and puts a red curtain over the sky which is very beautiful. During daylight there is occasional air activity. Yesterday a Russian bomber flew over our hut, bombing it and diving and machine-gunning, but all of us ducked into the snow and no one was hurt and there was no damage. The plane turned back, for visibility was nil. When an enemy plane approaches, everybody opens fire with everything they have—Russian rifles, fowling pieces and even field pieces. It takes a brave man to dive low in the face of such fire.

HARRY BRIDGES  
NO COMMUNISTLabor Department Exam-  
iner Submits His Finding  
On C.I.O. Leader

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—James M. Landis, Harvard Law School dean, acting as a special Labor Department examiner, has submitted to Secretary Perkins a finding that Harry Bridges, West Coast C.I.O. leader, is neither a member nor affiliated with the Communist Party.

Landis' finding was set forth in a letter to the Labor Secretary transmitting his report on the deportation proceedings instituted by the department against Bridges, at which Landis presided.

The deportation proceedings against Bridges were instituted in March, 1938, on the grounds that he was a member of an organization allegedly advocating the overthrow of the Government by force and violence.

The thirty-nine-year-old C.I.O. leader who came into labor prominence during the 1934 maritime strikes on the West Coast, is a native of Australia. He came to the United States in 1920.

The hearing afforded Bridges an opportunity to show cause why he should not be deported and the Government was faced with the obligation of providing two essential points to win its case.

It was required to prove: First, that Bridges was a member of the party or affiliated with it at the time the warrant was served upon him in March, 1938. Secondly, the Government was required to prove that if Bridges was a member or was affiliated with the party that the organization advocated the overthrow of the Government by force and violence.

The next step in the case—approval or rejection of the Landis finding—is up to Secretary Perkins.

Legal experts said that, if she approved the finding, her action would cancel the warrant issued against Bridges and close the case.

The Bridges proceedings have been a subject of controversy in and out of Congress ever since the department issued the warrant.

A witness, after receiving a caution from the bench to remember his oath, said: "My lord, you may believe me or not, but I have been wedded to the truth from infancy."

"Yes," said the judge, "but how long have you been a widower?"

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FEDERATION IN  
EUROPE LIKELYEnglish Scientist Visions  
New Social and Economic  
Order After War

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 30 (AP)—Dr. Julian S. Huxley says warring nations of the world are in about the evolutionary stage of the almost brainless dinosaurs which vanished from the earth millions of years ago.

The English scientist today told the American Association for the Advancement of Science that the dinosaurs had brains little larger than a baseball, and just about enough sense to eat when they were hungry.

Dr. Huxley appealed to "countries like the United States" which are technically equipped and are not involved in the present war to "begin building up planning organizations on a large enough scale to function as a social brain" in order that civilization proceed normally after the war and not end in chaos.

## LESSON FROM THE PAST

Mankind could learn many lessons by studying the rise and fall of the prehistoric dinosaurs, Dr. Huxley declared. "These animals answered bulk with bulk, aggressive with defense, but they were all doomed to extinction as soon as the changing environment gave the insignificant but brainier little mammals their chance."

The present refugee problem and the distortion of truth in science and in propaganda of the nations involved in war indicate that the brains of totalitarian states' rulers are about at the stage of the "giant megaloceros," he said. They have the might and power but do not know how to use it.

Proper planning and the help of the help of the democracies of the world might eventually develop some sort of federation.

He envisioned this federation as a close-knit group, each state keeping its own individuality but co-operating in an elected general governing body with an international council, mutual broadcasting arrangements, mutual newspaper, magazine and motion picture projects and envoys who would work together in ironing out differences among the states.

RED ARMY PUT TO  
ROUT BY FINNS

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deaths; Sipoo, thirty miles east of Helsinki, was raided and a little girl was killed; there were civilian casualties in raids on Kakkisalmi and other isthmus towns.

The third battle in which the attacking Russians were pushed back across the border took place near Kuumo, about fifty miles north of Lappeenranta, in Lower Central Finland. The Finnish command charted the course of the Russian rout as south-east, past Kiekkilä.

Previously, the Reds had been forced back over the border at points of Lake Saimaa, on the eastern Karelian isthmus, at Kitala, on the northern shore of Lake Ladoga, and on a front between Lake Ruokio and Lake Sysky. A several-day battle around Lake Kianta culminated in a Finnish victory.

A military communique said that two enemy tanks were destroyed between Summa and Lake Muonio, and that Finnish planes shot down two Soviet raiders.

Finns on this last Saturday of the year realized with proud satisfaction that Russia's armies seem much further away than they did on the opening day of the conflict—November 30.

They were puzzled, however, by numerous foreign reports that foreign volunteers were arriving in Finland. So far, the Swedes have been the only ones to come in noticeable numbers, although the first Norwegians are expected next week.

Today was the first time the Finns have officially admitted the presence of Swedish volunteers under General Ernst Linder. In a statement, Foreign Minister Valio Tanner expressed Finland's thanks and "great encouragement."

SEAWAY PLAN  
MOVES AHEAD

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the Allied cause in the furnishing of munitions and other supplies, are declared to be the reason for the change in front of the Ontario Premier, self-styled "last stumbling block" to the project. Since the Provincial election in Quebec at least two lengthy consultations have taken place with a view to getting the scheme under way between Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, and Quebec Premier Adolphe Godbout.

## RECORD EMPLOYMENT

Added to the impetus given Canadian industry and business from war work, wartime construction of the St. Lawrence development will, it is estimated, bring Canadian employment and industry generally to a new all-time record.

The St. Lawrence project is likely to be an issue second only to Canada's war effort in the Dominion election generally expected next

Summer. Either as a proposal for which the Mackenzie King Administration will seek approval, or as a concrete achievement for which the Administration will ask for the credit, the international treaty and its proposed subsidiary agreement with Ontario, will be thoroughly aired across Canada.

THREATENING  
NEW ATTACKS

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"No land in the world is so vulnerable from the air as the British Isles," he wrote. "Only the command of the Fuehrer is required to bring destruction-dealing loads of bombs instead of an insignificant load of cameras."

Hitler, in a long New Year message to the Nazi party, emphasized that he insisted upon a military decision and intimated he would accept no compromise.

"Arms this time," he said, "must definitely be wrested from the hands of war inciters and war declarers."

"About one thing we are clear," Hitler told the party. "The Jewish capitalist world enemy that stands opposite us has but one aim and that is: To destroy Germany and the German people!"

It was at first said "that they wanted to help Poland." Hitler wrote, and when that failed to succeed, he said, Poland's reconstruction was no longer a war object, but instead "my elimination—that is, the uprooting of National Socialism."

## BLAMES ENGLAND

Admonishing the nation to bear its war burdens, Hitler then said: "We, therefore, have a clear and precise war aim; Germany and beyond that Europe must be liberated from the oppression and constant threats which today, as in the past, originate in England."

"... we not only fight against the Versailles injustice, but for prevention of a still greater injustice which is to take its place."

And, positively, we fight for construction of a new Europe, because he is, in contrast to Chamberlain, of the conviction that this new Europe cannot be shaped by the outmoded forces of a decaying world and not by so-called statesmen who are unable to solve even the most primitive problems in their own countries, but that for the reconstruction of Europe only those peoples and forces are called upon which, in their conduct and their achievements, can be spoken of as young and productive.

"The Jewish capitalist world will not survive the twentieth century," MESSAGE TO ARMY

In a second message addressed to the army, Hitler asked the blessing of God. "Who during the past so nobly took us under His protection," and he warned his soldiers that "the hardest possible struggle for existence or non-existence of the German people" lies ahead.

But, he said, with "such soldiers, Germany must win."

Until Goebbels' article appeared today, German officials had declined to affirm or deny the use of mine-laying airplanes, discovered by coastal defence forces in Britain weeks ago.

But the article said: "Ship sinkings and damage through mine-laying airplanes speak in clear, unquestionable language before the world."

He claimed that "following the old rule that attack is the best defence, the German Air Force, together with the navy, has shattered the British presumption of being sole master in the North Sea."

SPANISH LINER  
AFIRE ON OCEAN

Gunboat Sent to Aid Cabo San Antonio Homeward Bound From Argentina

CADIZ, Spain, Dec. 30 (AP)—The Spanish gunboat Cabo Sotelo was ordered today to proceed to the aid of the Spanish passenger liner Cabo San Antonio reported afire in the Atlantic.

The liner, a 12,580-ton vessel, owned by Yarra &amp; Company of Seattle, Spain, is due here January 2 from Argentina with an unknown number of passengers and a cargo of freight.

The Cabo Sotelo was at Fernando Po, Spanish island off the west coast of Africa.

Reports on the fire aboard the Cabo San Antonio were given the Spanish marine commander here by an English source.

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## "Evolution of Sea Power"

F. M. KELLEY

"The sea is our life. By the use of it the Empire was formed. By holding it the Empire was preserved. If we fail to appreciate its value, the Empire will perish." So said the late Admiral Lord Jellicoe once upon a time subsequent to the battle of Jutland; and this summing up really constitutes the text and theme of a series of contributions written by a notable group of naval experts to make up a book entitled "Evolution of Sea Power," edited by Charles W. Domville-Fife, himself a writer of note, published by Rich & Cowan, London, and only recently off the press.

Reading "Evolution of Sea Power," from the pages of which come broadsides of logical reasons why Great Britain should possess a navy greater than any combination of possible adversaries might send against it, one wonders why (if the book justifies its publication) the people of the "light little islands" should be so apathetic regarding a situation which has been steadily developing ever since the closing years of the 1914-18 unpleasantness.

"The English, unfortunately for themselves," the book points out, "do not learn quickly. Many repetitions of a lesson are necessary before it is assimilated. One of the most important lessons of the last war was almost forgotten when this war broke out. We had learned to guard our coasts, but the lesson we have yet to learn is to guard our trade routes. We trust too much to luck, which has certainly been wondrous kind to us."

### DEPLORE CONDITION

One and all of the writers pay high tribute to the part the seamen of the Mercantile Marine Navy of Britain has played in past wars; but all deplore the condition into which the Mercantile Marine has been falling in the last two decades. The very foundation of British sea power is in its Mercantile Marine, all agree, and make urgent pleas.

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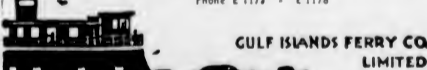
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## Capture of German Liner



A boarding party in a British warship's cutter setting out to the disguised Hamburg-America liner Cap Norte, which is now in British hands. The liner, which had taken refuge at Pernambuco, put out to sea on September 17. Her cargo included 440 cases of horseflesh and three boxes of caviar.

better shape to meet the situation in 1914 than it was several months ago. Within 48 hours of the outbreak of the Great War 724 German merchant vessels took refuge in neutral ports and remained there throughout the war. Not one British ship took such protection, and Britain's large and prosperous merchant navy proved a big factor in ultimate victory.

The contributors to "Evolution of Sea Power" also feel that "Britannia should have the freedom to build what ships their own experienced seamen consider are most suitable for Britain's special needs, and let other nations construct whatever they please." There is only one other nation situated like Britain, they point out; and that is Japan, also a group of islands with needed materials arriving by sea and with no back door of entry. The authors have no respect for paper agreements, pointing out they are continually broken through the expediency of conflict, while all further agree with the writer who states "We are living in a fool's paradise, a nation no longer wishing to retain what our forefathers gained for us at great cost. A nation which allows the armed forces to be reduced below a safe limit and trusts to political methods to hold its possessions is bound to fail in the course of time."

### CONTRIBUTORS

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## AIRPLANE WRECKAGE INDICATES CRASH OF BOMBER TYPE CRAFT

TAVERNIER, Fla., Dec. 30 (AP).—Mystery surrounding the wreckage of an airplane prompted Inspector W. M. Hutchins, of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, to start an investigation today of the crash into the mud off lonely Card Point.

Hutchins said markings of the plane indicated it was of the B-18 bomber type. No wreckage had been reported here for a ship of that design.

### Chief Engineer of National Road



H. A. DIXON

RECENTLY appointed to the position of chief engineer of Canadian National Railways, with headquarters at Montreal.

## OVERCOME BY FUEL FUMES

Leaking Exhaust Tube Renders Crew of Schooner Semi-Conscious

NORTH SYDNEY, N.S., Dec. 30 (CP).—Mariners don't like snow squalls—but Captain George Thomas, of the fishing schooner Pearl M. Pettipas, believes the one which struck his vessel a few miles off Cape Breton saved the lives of five of his crew.

The schooner was heading for the fishing grounds out of Ingonish Harbor last Friday, Captain Thomas said, when the squall struck. He ordered the engines reversed to stop the craft, but there was no answer from below decks.

Investigating, he found the engineer, his son Percy, semi-conscious. He called for aid, but none of the other crew members answered.

Carrying his son on deck, he went to the forecabin. There he found four men, the rest of the crew, also semi-conscious. A piece of rubber hose on the engine exhaust had burned through, allowing the fumes to leak through the vessel.

## FINAL TRIBUTE PAID MARINER

Funeral Services Held at Vancouver for Late Capt. Thomas Rippon

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30 (CP).—Final tribute was paid today to Captain Thomas Rippon, fifty-six, pioneer British Columbia Coast steamship navigator and marine superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, who died here Tuesday after a short illness.

Rev. O. M. Sanford officiated at the service, held in the Centre & Hanna chapel. Interment was at Mountain View Cemetery.

Pellow officers of the C.P.R. who acted as pallbearers were Captain R. W. McMurray, manager of the British Columbia Coast Steamships, Victoria; A. C. Cotterell, assistant general manager of the railway; Captain E. Aikman, general superintendent of Canadian Pacific Steamships; Fred K. Bailey, engineer superintendent, Victoria; Carl F. Timms, assistant marine superintendent; and Captain Robert Thomson, master of the Princess Maquinna.

Captain Rippon had served thirty years with the company. He came to Victoria as a young man and served on coastal ships of the Queen's and Nanaimo Railway, operating out of Victoria before the vessel.

## Took Part in First Kiel Canal Foray



W. A. ROBERTSON

OF Vancouver, and grandson of W. M. Halliday, Victoria, former Indian agent at Alert Bay, was one of the gunners with the first Royal Air Force squadron which flew over the Kiel Canal and bombed German ships there. Young Robertson is a Seymour-Biggs boy and was promoted in charge of armoring for the squadron and part-time instructor in gunnery on his birthday, recently.

He was taken over by the C.P.R. He served mostly on the Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle run from 1920 until 1934, when he was made marine superintendent and moved to Vancouver.

## Heaviest British Christmas Letter Mail Is Received

The heaviest British mail to reach Victoria this holiday season arrived here yesterday afternoon, according to an announcement made last night by Postmaster G. H. Gardiner.

Old Country mails came in as well on Thursday and Friday, but yesterday's consignment was by far the bulkiest, consisting entirely of letters, there being no parcel post matter included.

This mail will be distributed tomorrow morning, and is probably the last of the Old Country Christmas letter mail, Postmaster Gardiner stated.

## Labor Dispute Ends

SEATTLE, Dec. 30 (AP).—A labor dispute which has tied up Pacific Northwest Oriental Line ships since December 1 ended today, as longshoremen began moving cargo on the Collierynorth and Coldbrook here, and on the Eataria at Tacoma.

L. L. Bates, general manager, said sailing dates would be set next week.

## Striking Union Of C.I.O. Clerks Declines to Sign

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30 (CP).—A peace plan which would have opened San Francisco's long strike-bound harbor next Tuesday morning struck what appeared to be a temporary snag today.

Negotiators for the striking Congress of Industrial Organization Ship Clerks' Association declined to sign a tentative memorandum agreement for a reopening based on a formula devised by Governor Culbert L. Olson's five-man fact-finding committee, but arranged another meeting with employers on Tuesday.

## TRADE GOOD AT MAINLAND PORT

Vancouver Shows Substantial Gains in Sea Traffic For Year 1939

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30 (CP).—Vancouver deep-sea shipping, imports and exports, and customs and excise receipts registered substantial increases during 1939, according to official figures issued today.

K. J. Burns, Vancouver's port manager, reported 1,049 deep-sea ships have entered the port during the year, and that several others are expected before the advent of the new year. During 1938 deep-sea ships totaled 985.

Coastwise shipping has also shown a large increase with 22,201 vessels arriving to date, compared with 21,105 in 1938.

Net tonnage for all classes of vessels during the year totaled 12,007,812, against 11,620,493 last year, an increase of 387,319 net tons.

With a number of manifests not yet recorded the 1939 imports total 4,069,733 tons, compared with 3,796,612 in 1938. Exports total 2,941,956 tons, against 2,559,542 tons.

Customs and excise receipts for the year, up to and including December 28, totaled \$15,915,081. An additional \$250,000 expected from a rush of sales tax payments will bring the total for the year to \$16,265,081, compared with last year's total of \$14,863,517.

## GERMAN SHIPS MAY MAKE MASS FLIGHT

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30 (AP).—President rumors circulated today that the seven German ships still refusing in Mexican waters, undisturbed by the fate of the Nazi liner Columbus, were considering a mass flight to Germany.

There were unconfirmed reports that the Nazi liner Orinoco had been commanded to sail for Germany around January 8.

## DOING GRAND IN NEW HOME

Australian Airmen Flying With Distinguished Royal Air Force Squadrons

LONDON, Dec. 30 (CP).—First Australian airmen sent overseas were inspected today by Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill, to whom command they have been attached.

The 200 young airmen were an impressive picture in their dark blue uniforms.

At their new base, the Australians joined two Royal Air Force squadrons who have already won distinction for their wartime exploits. Among them was the daring rescue of survivors of the torpedoed British freighter Kensington Court, September 21. Many of the earliest medals won in the war decorate the tunics of members of these two squadrons.

The Australian contingent will operate Sunderland flying boats—the military counterpart of the famous civilian Empire flying boats. Their duties will include anti-submarine patrols and general sea reconnaissance.

The newcomers, grinning amiably, declared they were "doing grand" in their new home. Most of them are bachelors, but a few were married only a few days before sailing for England. One proudly produced a photograph of a pretty girl.

"That's my wife," he said. "We were married two days before I left, and I know she'll be waiting for me when I return, even if the war lasts ten years."

## Searchers Locate Body of Missing Customs Officer

EVERETT, Wash., Dec. 30 (AP).—Searchers recovered the body of Roy M. Porter, sixty-two, United States immigration officer of Seattle from Puget Sound near the Weyerhaeuser dock today.

His car was located by searchers probing the bottom of the bay after the tire marks had been found at the edge of the dock.

## POSTOFFICE HOURS

Postoffice arrangements for New Year's day, according to Postmaster G. H. Gardiner, will be as follows: Morning deliveries only will be made by letter carriers; no rural mail deliveries will be made; wickets will be open until twelve noon; the lobby will be open until 6 p.m.

Fatier—Who broke that chair in the parlor last evening?

Daubler—It just collapsed, all of a sudden, father, but neither one of us was hurt.

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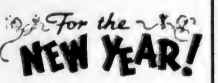
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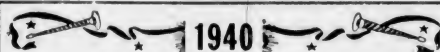
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LISTEN! TELL SOMEONE THE FEELINGS DO!

By Edgar Bergen

**THE BOYS OVERHEAR A CONVERSATION OUTSIDE OF LA FLEURETTE'S DRESSING ROOM.**

**I TELL YOU, I WEEL NOT DO EET!! I WEEL NOT DO EET!!**

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UNFORTUNATELY, MY EYESIGHT IS BAD

HIS EYES ARE OKAY, A T T WILL PRO THEY ARE

ARE YOU ASKING ME?

WHAT'S THIS LETTER? I WILL GIVE YA A HINT, IT IS IN YER NAME.

H-M

KIN YA SEE IT ?

YES, QUITE PLAINLY, THE LETTER IS "M"

THAT'S CORRECT, KIN GO ?

NO, I GOT IT WRONG

Greg Miller

## By | Millar Watt

YES!  
I SMOKE  
ON THE  
SLY  
AGAIN!

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By Chic Young

## A cartoon illustration by Leo Nease. A policeman in a dark uniform and cap is riding a white horse. The horse is pulling a small, three-wheeled cart labeled "POLICE" on its side. A woman with dark hair, wearing a dark dress with white polka dots, is sitting in the cart. In the background, there are storefronts with signs that read "DRUGS", "COAL", and "BARBER SHOP". In the foreground, the head and shoulders of a man wearing a top hat and smoking a pipe are visible. The cartoon is signed "1-2 Leo Nease" in the bottom right corner.

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## DIARY OF WORLD EVENTS OF 1939

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- 11—Russia and Britain conclude trade treaty involving exchange of British rubber and tin for Russian timber. Government discloses 158,000 British troops in France.
- 12—Chamberlain tells British Commons there can be no peace on Hitler's terms. It is announced \$200,000,000 war loan taken up by Canadian banks at par.
- 13—Three German submarines destroyed on "Friday the 13th." Col. C. A. Lindbergh questions Canada's right to engage in European wars. Four are killed; twenty-four injured in blackout train crash near London.
- 14—British battleship, Royal Oak, torpedoed and sunk in Scapa Flow, 812 lives lost. Lord Rivalda's air training mission arrives at Ottawa.
- 15—(Sunday)—Three allied merchant ships sunk by Germans.
- 16—German bombers raid British naval base at Rosyth, Scotland, damaging cruiser Southampton and destroyer Mohawk; fifteen killed; four German planes downed.
- 17—German planes twice raid Scapa Flow, damaging training ship Lord Duke; four shot down.
- 18—Germans start big offensive on 100-mile line on Western Front.
- 19—Britain, France and Turkey sign fifteen-year mutual assistance pact. Kings of Sweden, Norway and Denmark unite in neutrality but avoid promise to help Finland.
- 20—Compulsory military training revived in Australia.
- 21—Four German planes shot down in attack on North Sea convoy.
- 22—(Sunday)—French retire from German territory on Western Front, except in Warndt Forest. Indian Congress party calls on eight provincial ministries to resign in protest against British "Imperialist" policy.
- 23—United States freighter City of Flint taken to Murmansk, Russia, by German raiding ship.
- 24—Von Ribbentrop in Danzig says Germany will fight to bitter end.
- 25—Duplessis' National Union Government swept from office in Quebec election. Liberals taking sixty-eight of eighty-six seats.
- 26—Russia announces release of United States freighter City of Flint.
- 27—United States Senate passes legislation repealing arms embargo. Prime Minister King says Canada waging war to protect Christianity.
- 28—Canadian Minister of Mines T. A. Cresser arrives in London for Imperial war consultations.
- 29—(Sunday)—Wes Carroll and Clyde Schiepler set new endurance flying record at 726 hours in United States.
- 30—Britain reports 103 ships of all nations sunk to date, loss of life 1,850. At Washington Germany is assessed \$20,000,000 damages for first great war explosions at Black Tom and Kingsland, N.J.
- 31—Prime Minister King says Empire air training scheme may mean the final victory "will be shaped on Canadian soil." Premier Mussolini reorganizes Italian Cabinet, removing pro-German ministers. Russia demands naval base from Finland.

### NOVEMBER

- 1—Professor F. Cyril James appointed principal of McGill University. Holland orders martial law on border.
- 2—United States House passes legislation repealing arms embargo by 243-181.
- 3—Norway interns German prize crew and releases United States City of Flint.
- 4—President Roosevelt signs "Neutrality Act of 1939."
- 5—(Sunday)—Norway rejects German demand for internment of City of Flint. Nazi revolt plot foiled in South Africa.
- 6—French report nine German planes shot down in air battle between nine French and twenty-seven Nazi planes.
- 7—Britain co-ordinates war purchases in Canada and the United States. Ghandi's request for an immediate election in India refused.
- 8—Adolf Hitler leaves Munich beer hall shortly before explosion kills seven and injures sixty-three participants in Nazi anniversary celebration. Canadian Red Cross announces start on military hospital in England.
- 9—Belgium boosts mobilization to 600,000 men. Wide area flooded in Holland as defence measure.
- 10—British Dominions representatives to London welcomed to France.
- 11—Remembrance Day—Queen broadcasts message to women of the Empire. Australian Cabinet reorganized. University of Western Ontario wins intercollegiate Rugby.
- 12—(Sunday)—President Lebrun of France says Germany may establish peace by "reparation of injustice to Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland. Winston Churchill declares Allies will fight until Germany has had "enough."
- 13—German air raids on Paris, the Shetlands and English coast repulsed.
- 14—Germany refuses Netherlands-Belgian offer to mediate.
- 15—Prague students demonstrate against German protectorate. Sixteen arrested. All Canada's wheat surplus will be used. Agriculture Minister Gardiner says "enough."
- 16—C.A.S.F. advance guard arrives in England.
- 17—Nazis execute nine Czechs and

- imprison 1,200; Allies pool economic resources.
- 18—Dutch liner Simon Bolivar sunk by mine in North Sea; eighty-five lost.
- 19—(Sunday)—Russia says Finland is sending troops to Russian frontier.
- 20—Reported more than 100 lives lost in sinking of ten British and neutral ships over weekend. Premier A. A. Dystart's Liberal administration returned in New Brunswick with twenty-eight seats to twenty Conservative.
- 21—Britain threatens unrestricted sea blockade of German trade in retaliation for illegal mine warfare.
- 22—German air raids repulsed off British east coast.
- 23—German battleship Deutschland and another warship sink British armed merchant cruiser Rawalpindi; 265 lost. Transport Minister C. D. Howe named to head Canadian War Supply Board.
- 24—Germany admits seven scout planes lost over Basra.
- 25—German steamship Woermann scuttled off South Africa to avoid capture.
- 26—(Sunday)—Finland denies Soviet charge of killing and wounding Russians in border fight.
- 27—British blockade of German exports proclaimed.
- 28—British flyers raid German base at Borkum. French capture two German freighters.
- 29—Russia severs relations with Finland. Four killed in R.C.A.F. crash at Trenton, Ont.
- 30—Russian troops invade Finland; Helsinki and other Finnish cities shelled from air and sea.

### DECEMBER

- 1—Parachuted Russian troops capture Finnish Arctic port of Petsamo; Russia proclaims "People's Government" for Finland.
- 2—Finns recapture Petsamo, but Russians claim advances. Ottawa Rough Riders win Eastern Canada Rugby final. Bill Skladan, Andrew Alta, wins oats king title at Chicago.
- 3—(Sunday)—British bombers score hit on German warships at Heligoland. Princess Louise, ninety-one, dies.
- 4—F. L. Riley, Wembley, Alta, wins wheat king title at Chicago for second year.
- 5—King George visits British troops on Western Front. Sweden calls up 40,000 men for military service.
- 6—German liner Usukuma captured in South Atlantic. Winston Churchill says Britain sinking German U-boats faster than they are being built.
- 7—Germany and Russia begin population exchange as result of capture of Poland.
- 8—Italy reaffirms neutrality, but stands by German-Italian military alliance. United States says Britain's total blockade of Germany breach of international law. British sink three German subs.
- 9—Winnipeg Blue Bombers win Canadian Rugby title. Soviet Russia arraigned before League of Nations for Finnish aggression.
- 10—(Sunday)—British troops in action on section of Maginot Line; Germans repelled with severe losses.
- 11—Canada's war effort should be "practical" rather than spectacular, says Finance Minister Ralston at Summerside, P.E.I. Five British merchantmen mixing in South Atlantic where German pocket battleship operating. Finland asks League of Nations for "practical support" instead of "international resolutions."
- 12—Britain announces liner Breiten, returning from Murmansk, Russia, to German port, sighted by British submarine.
- 13—German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee driven into neutral South American harbor at Montevideo after fourteen-hour running battle with British ships; cruiser Exeter damaged. British Parliament holds secret session on war supplies.
- 14—Soviet Russia thrown out of the League of Nations for unprovoked attack on Finland. British submarine sinks 6,000-ton German cruiser. King George is forty-four.
- 15—Finns report sinking of Russian destroyer by coastal batteries.
- 16—Italy repeats it is staying out of war by agreement with Germany to help localize conflict.
- 17—(Sunday)—First contingent of Canadian troops arrive at Scottish port. Germans blow up trapped battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Montevideo, Uruguay. Empire air training agreement signed at Ottawa.
- 18—Liberals elected in Dominion by-elections in Jacques Cartier and Montreal St. James. United Reform candidate wins in Saskatoon. Probably more than twelve German planes shot down and seven British missing at Heligoland in war's biggest air battle to date.
- 19—German liner Columbus scuttled by crew off North American coast; survivors taken aboard United States cruiser. Major-General Sir Eugene Elser, formerly deputy minister of national defence, appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec.
- 20—Capt Hans Langsdorff, of destroyed German battleship Graf Spee, commits suicide at Buenos Aires.
- 21—L. W. Brockington appointed Canadian official war recorder. Thirty civilian dead listed after Russians bomb Finnish towns.
- 22—Canadians on leave from Aldershot camp take a look at London. Two German train wrecks take 184 lives.

- 23—Finns report fresh victories over Russians on Karelian Isthmus. Myron C. Taylor appointed President Roosevelt's personal representative at the Vatican.
- 24—(Sunday)—Pope Pius offers five-point programme for peace. Hon. T. A. Cresser returns to Ottawa from Empire war parleys in London.
- 25—(Christmas Day)—King George broadcasts to the Empire.
- 26—Australian airmen arrive in England.
- 27—Indian Moslem troops take up front line positions on the Western Front. Estimated 60,000 dead and injured in earthquake in Turkey.
- Militia Man—What on earth have you wakened us up at this time for? It's only half-past three!
- Camp Cook—Well, I've heard that a thunderstorm turns milk, and as there is one on now I thought we might as well have our breakfast while the milk's fresh!

### Brothers Are United After Twenty Years

For the first time in twenty-four brothers of a well-known British Columbia family are again reunited. They are Senator J. W. deB. Farris, K.C.; Wendell B. Farris, K.C.; Bruce Farris, and Dr. Hugh Farris.

Dr. Farris came to the Pacific Coast from Saint John, N.B., and together with his brothers is enjoying the festive season at the home of Senator Farris in Vancouver.

### BUSY YEAR AT CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The heaviest year of traffic for the Panama Canal in a decade was reported in official figures today. A total of 3,993 commercial vessels used the canal. Tons totaled 221,661,621 and cargoes 27,866,628 long tons.

### According to Culbertson

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: The other afternoon I sat southeast, where I could point out South's and East's errors, when the following hand came up. The players were exuberant college boys, and their bidding was likewise.

"South, dealer.  
"Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH  
♦ Q 6  
♥ 7 4  
♦ Q 9 8  
♠ K J 9 6 5

WEST  
♦ A 10  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ 4 3  
♠ A Q 8 7 4 2

EAST  
♦ K J 8 5 4 2  
♥ Q 9 3  
♦ A 5  
♠ A 10 3

SOUTH  
♦ 9 7 3  
♥ A K J 10  
♦ K J 10 7 6 2  
♠ K

"South bid a diamond, North said two diamonds, and South said five. Their opponents, strangely, passed. West led a diamond, East won and returned another. Dummy won the second round. Declarer finessed a heart, then played out his other three hearts, discarding a spade from dummy. East, showing a little foresight, signalled with his spade eight on the fourth heart trick. Declarer led a spade to dummy's queen. West ignored his partner's signal and won with the ace. From his partner's puzzled expression it was evident he had neglected to perform a simple duty which all players must perform if they want to play well: he'd neglected to count South's cards. He led his club ace in exasperation and declarer was in. He trumped the ace, trumped a spade in dummy, and discarded his last spade on the club king.

"There are all too many players who think the counting process is a magic formula used only by wizards, when actually it is so simple. West should have counted diamonds like this: two rounds (eight) plus one in dummy leaves no more than four

### WEDNESDAY'S HAND

West, dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

♦ 8 5 2

♥ 8

♦ A 7 5

♠ K 10 8 5 3

WEST

♦ A 9

♥ 10 6 4

♦ Q J 10 4 2

♠ A Q J

EAST

♦ K 7 6 3

♥ A K 7 3

♦ 8

♠ 9 4 2

SOUTH

♦ Q J 10 4

♥ Q J 9 5 2

♦ 9 6 3

♠ 7

Mr. Culbertson will discuss this hand in Wednesday's column.

## Outstanding in World Events of 1939



Two of the most important events of the current year were recorded by the camera and are seen above. King George and Queen Elizabeth capture the hearts of Canadians and Americans as they make a triumphal tour of Canada and the United States. Above, they acknowledge greetings of the United States in Washington. Cardinal Pacelli succeeded Pope Pius XI as head of the Roman Catholic Church. This picture was taken in the Vatican when he was enthroned as Pope Pius XII.

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# HAPPY NEW YEAR



# THE DAILY COLONIST

# Poor Butterfly

By Elizabeth Dunn

I GUESS I know Willy better than anybody else in the world. We fought off education shoulder-to-shoulder at Miss Armitage's. We had a joint coming-out party. And, of course, we've shared the "bachelor-girl" apartment on Sixty-fourth Street for two years.

It all started at the Walls' house in Greenwich. Adelaide Wall was in our class in school. Her brain is practically invisible to the naked eye, but she's so simple and sweet that I expect birds to alight on her. However, Adder forgets that sometimes people dislike other people; which explains why she has invited Willy and me and Ginnie Patterson, of all people, for the same house party.

You see, there's been this war between Ginnie and Willy for years. It came out into the open when we were in the Fifth Form, and Ginnie reported Willy to Miss Armitage for smoking. The rest of us wanted to take Ginnie out to some quiet spot and inconspicuously kill her, but Willy just smiled and told us not to be silly. I remember I was awfully mad at Willy because she just took it lying down. The next Autumn, Ginnie announced that she was going out for the English Poetry Prize and the Music Award. Willy was in the room at the time, but she was eating salt-water taffy, so everyone was stunned when she quietly won both prizes herself, apparently without studying at all.

Willy and I, being wage earners, didn't get out to Greenwich until six-thirty on Friday evening, and it wasn't till we'd arrived at the house that Adder said, "Ginnie's coming!"

"Ah!" said Willy. "What fun!"

"Dear old Ginnie!" I said.

But when we were alone, I said to Willy, "Buddy Wyman is here, too, you know."

Buddy is one of the Lost Battalion who moon around after Willy.

Willy got into a dressing gown and started the shower.

"Adder told me," she said amiably. "It'll be so nice for Ginnie."

"Don't you care?" I asked.

"Not a bit. Buddy and I are just good friends."

"You won't be that by Sunday night," I prophesied. "Not if Ginnie can arrange it."

"Oh, Ginnie's harmless, really," Willy said tolerantly.

"You bet," I agreed. "Like nitroglycerine. Safe if you don't go near it."

Suddenly Willy's eyes sparkled. "Let's go and see her now!" she said.

So we went to her room.

"Willy—Buddy—darlings!" Ginnie came to the door with her arms out in a pretty gesture of welcome. "How divine to see you both! Oh, my poor pets, you look exhausted. I'm going to scold Uncle Arthur. He must be absolutely slave-driving you."

"Don't bother to scold Uncle Arthur," said Willy, "with that lovely cool smile of his. He is not yet aware of his good fortune in having us in his employ."

"Oh, I must tell him, then!"

"Don't bother, my little deadly nightshade," I said. "We're doing all right."

I THINK I should explain here that Ginnie's Uncle Arthur is Mr. Brackett. And Mr. Brackett is the president of Brackett and Bowman, the smartest department store on Fifth Avenue, where Willy and I work. Willy's father, on the other hand, was Jacob Nicholas, the banker. When the Nicholas banking business sank, leaving no trace, Mr. Nicholas died, and Willy was an orphan with the dazzling income of ten dollars a week.

My family managed to hold out long enough to give us a coming-out party. The invitations read: "In honor of Miss Barbara Fairchild (me) and Miss Wilhelmina Nicholas."

I got a job right away in the debutante department of Brackett and Bowman. Miss Axel, the buyer, is a wonderful woman with a face like the underside of a flatiron, and she is training me as her assistant.

But Willy—she had a lot of other jobs until last April, when there was a vacancy in the debutante department. Willy got it.

Willy, darling, Ginnie begged, "do let me help you. If I said a word to Uncle Arthur, I know he'd—I mean, you can't like this horrible little job—"

"You don't know Fergus," I said, and I could have choked myself. Because Ginnie immediately pointed like a bird dog.

"Fergus?" she said. "Who is Fergus?"

I tried the good old schoolgirl giggle. "Fergus Carlisle," our doddering old merchandise manager. "He's a scream."

"Doddering?" said Ginnie. "Why, Uncle Arthur always picks the most superb young men for merchandise managers."

Willy got up and stretched. "Fergus is an old pet. Of course, he can't move very fast and sometimes he doesn't hear very well, but that's only on damp days. . . . Come on, Buddy, we have to dress."

Out in the hall, we clutched each other in joy. "I can't wait to see her face when he drops into the department some day and sees dear old doddering Fergus," I gurgled.

Willy gave a scream of maniacal laughter. "Dear old Fergus is thirty-three years old and six feet tall."

The week-end went along as week-ends do. We swam, and Ginnie wore a black satin bathing suit without any straps and poured sand on Buddy Wyman's chest. Buddy began by looking pitilessly at Willy, but Willy just sat around, bland and beautiful, and maddeningly pleased with life.

Then we went to a dance at the club and Ginnie wore her hair in curls on top of her head. By midnight Buddy had stopped looking wistfully at Willy, but she was

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having a terrific rush—of course—and she never noticed him.

When we started to work Tuesday morning, Ginnie was still asleep.

"Listen, pal," I said, as we walked down Fifth Avenue. "Don't you think it might be safer if you took this job a little harder?"

"Hm?" said Willy.

"Well, I went on bravely, 'you haven't been exactly a monument of efficiency, have you? And sooner or later, Fergus will catch on. He's been dazdled for four months, and that's a pretty long time to stay dazdled without encouragement.'"

WILLY laughed. "Why are you worrying about Fergus and his future happiness?"

"Because I like him," I said defiantly. "And so do you. Don't be so hard and modern. It's out of date."

When we got home at six, Ginnie was gone, but her suitcases were still in the living-room. We bathed and got into house coats and had just lit cigarettes when the doorbell rang. Willy answered it, and in the hall stood Fergus Carlisle.

"Unless I'm wrong, and I usually am," said Willy, "the boss is in a temper."

Fergus came in and sat down. "He looked worried. 'This time you're right, my little lily of the field. Do you know what you've done?'"

"Put Mr. Brackett in a high dudgeon," said Willy. "One of those old-fashioned dudgeons with iron bars."

"Please, Willy. Be serious. How much do you need this job?"

"Oh, not at all," Willy responded airily. "What's money to me?"

Fergus leaned forward. "Do you know what you did to your first customer this morning? Do you know who she was?"

Willy frowned. "I sold her a sport shirt, size twelve. Is it my fault if she thinks she's one of the little people? No, I don't know who she was. . . . Snow White?"

Fergus sighed. "She is Mrs. Henderson Bogert, of Los Angeles. And, instead of giving the receipt to her, and the address label to the package girl, you gave the package girl the receipt, so she had no idea where to send the shirt, and you gave Mrs. Bogert a piece of paper with nothing on it but her name and address, which it is safe to suppose she knew already."

Willy sank back on the sofa, looking guilty, for once. "Oh, Fergus!" she said. "I'm sorry! What happens? Do they tar and feather me?"

Fergus sighed again. "Nothing happens. I spent the afternoon with Mr. Brackett. You see, unfortunately, Mrs. Bogert realized what had happened, and instead of coming back to you, she went straight to

the old man. She told him there was a case of arrested development in his debutante department and he sent for me. So I persuaded him that we—er—needed you. I'm at a new low. Could I have a drink, Buddy?"

I went into the kitchenette and began making Fergus a Tom Collins. The door was open a crack and I could hear them.

"Fergus," said Willy, "that was very good of you—but I wish you hadn't."

"Why not, Willy?" Fergus asked. "Somebody has to take care of you."

"Why?" said Willy.

Fergus said, still tenderly, "Because you're so helpless, darling. You're a butterfly. You've never been taught to do anything useful."

"I can imitate bagpipes in the distance," said Willy.

"There—that's what I mean," Fergus pounced. "You're delightful, you and your kind—silly and gay and crazy. But you're irresponsible. You belong in business about as much as a—"

"Butterfly," suggested Willy, dangerously.

"Exactly," said Fergus. "What you need, Willy, is to be taken care of. You need a husband. You—"

I heard Willy stand up. "If I'm so dumb, Fergus, do you think I'd make a good wife?"

FERFUS stood up, too. "I didn't say you were dumb, Willy. And, anyway, I didn't fall in love with you because you're so smart. Willy—"

"No, Fergus, and I haven't fallen in love with you because you're so smart, either. In fact, I haven't fallen in love with you at all. I don't fall for fools."

I dropped the ice cubes into the sink. "What?" said Fergus feebly.

"I do not fall for great, big, handsome bird brains," said Willy. "Men who think they understand human nature, and don't know anything—not anything. If I wanted to, Fergus Carlisle, I could be the most valuable employee Brackett and Bowman's have."

I came out of the kitchenette. They were glaring at each other.

"Well, of all the spoiled, arrogant, conceited—you could, could you?" said Fergus.

"Yes, I could!" Willy blazed. "I could and I will! You can't get all patronizing with me, Fergus Carlisle—"

"Oh, can't I?" Fergus shouted. "Well, it's the last time I try to help you, let me tell you—"

Willy suddenly went all cold and remote. "I'll show you whether I'm helpless or not," she said. "You great, big superior goop."

Fergus turned to me, with overwhelming dignity. "Shall we go out and get some dinner, Buddy?"

I opened my mouth weakly, but Willy said:

"Don't bother to snub me, Fergus. I have a date. With Sid Roman."

"That orchestra leader?"

"That orchestra leader."

"Now listen," I said. I was nervous. "Sid is very nice. Swing is very nice. The Roman Room is very nice. Please excuse us while we dress."

In our bedroom I said, "Don't pay atten-

tion to him, pet. It's the heat. Let's all have dinner together."

But Willy gave me a look. "Have dinner with Fergus Carlisle? I think I'd rather have dinner with two men disguised as a horse."

"Who's that?"

We listened. Then we looked at each other. Ginnie's voice came through the door.

"Oh, Mr. Carlisle, I've heard so much about you—from Uncle Arthur and from Willy, too. But Willy said you doddered!" She laughed charmingly. "I've been so anxious to meet you. You see, my uncle is Arthur Brackett, and of course—oh, Buddy, I beg your pardon! This is Mr. Wyman, Mr. Carlisle. . . ."

When I got into the living-room the tension in the air made my hair crackle. Sid Roman had arrived. Sid is unbelievably handsome, a lot of fun, and terribly clever. But Fergus was looking at him as though he were just out on parole. Buddy slumped in a corner looking miserable, and Ginnie—

"Isn't this fun?" she was warbling. "Let's all go to dinner, shall we? Let's go to the Roman Room and watch Mr. Roman conduct. I just adore your orchestra, Mr. Roman."

"I'm so glad," said Sid.

"Oh, I worship it!" I was taking singing lessons—of course, I'm no good—

"Ginnie has a swell voice."

Everybody turned around, and there stood Willy in the doorway, looking angelic. For one second she and Sid Roman exchanged a look and I was puzzled by it. It was so significant.

"Oh, Willy, darling—" Ginnie fluttered. "Come on, let's all go to Sid's," said Willy. "Don't be a fool," I said out of the corner of my mouth.

Willy just smiled at me.

WELL, of course, we went. And what an evening! There was Ginnie, looking pretty irresistible, and going right to work on Fergus. There was Fergus, mad and tired and soothed by Ginnie in spite of himself. And there was Willy, just staring contentedly at Sid, while he conducted the orchestra. It was all perfectly maddening, especially as I was left to comfort Buddy, who was behaving like Hamlet.

The next morning Ginnie departed for Bar Harbor with canary feathers on her chin. I could have killed her. But Willy was quite unperturbed. She was so unperturbed that I began to remember that English Poetry Prize and the Music Award. I cooled off and began to watch Willy.

And Willy was worth watching. If I hadn't seen it myself, I wouldn't have believed it. Because from that moment on she suddenly became the perfect employee. She sold more than any other girl on the floor. She not only made no mistakes of any sort—she actually made two suggestions for the running of the department that were adopted by the management.

Her manner to Fergus was perfectly correct, but perfectly aloof. Poor Fergus! Sometimes I caught him eyeing her in a kind of baffled misery; but as far as she was concerned he might have been made out of machinery. I wanted to knock their heads together.

Willy was going out every evening all by herself, and she always came back quite late, with her hands and face sort of grimy, and her hair ruffled up, as though she'd been cramming for an exam. And

the only man she had a date with—and that only on Sundays—was Sid Roman. It seems incredible to me now that I didn't guess—especially since I had remembered the Poetry Prize and the Music Award. And, of course, Willy had always played the piano like a demon. But I didn't.

Late in October Ginnie dropped in to see us one evening, and said, oh, so casually, "Fergus Carlisle is a pet, isn't he? You never told me he danced so divinely."

"Didn't we?" I asked sweetly. "We didn't tell you his telephone number either, did we?"

Ginnie turned crimson. "I didn't call him up, I met him on Fifth Avenue."

Even Willy grinned. But after Ginnie had gone I said to Willy, "Look, pet, pride is all very well in its place, but Fergus is a peach, really. He's clever and reliable and fun, and he used to be crazy about you. Why let that little insect have everything her own way?"

"Because," said Willy, "I don't think Fergus is any of those things, and any insect can have him that wants him."

I WAS washing stockings one Sunday evening in November when Willy came bursting in. To my astonishment, Ginnie was with her, and so was Sid Roman.

"Darling!" Ginnie screamed at me. "Have you heard? Isn't it exciting?"

"What are you talking about?"

"Hasn't Willy told you?" Sid asked. "Ginnie's going to sing with my orchestra, beginning on Christmas Eve. My Debutante Discovery."

My mouth fell open. "How lovely," I said, when I could speak. "Only it would be more of a news flash if you discovered a debutante who couldn't sing."

Sid grinned, and Ginnie said, "Darling, let me tell you something for your own good—"

"If she doesn't stop saying nasty, biting things like that," interrupted Willy evilly, "nobody will like her at all. You let me tell her, Ginnie. She can't knock me down, and you're so little, dear."

As we were going to bed, I snarled at Willy:

"Is your reason tottering? She walks off with Buddy. She grabs Fergus. And far from doing anything about it, you practically hand her Sid Roman and the most glamorous job in New York. Sometimes I think that Fergus was right. We oughtn't to let you out alone."

According to Ginnie, Sid was divine, her songs were divine, and Uncle Arthur was too divine. The only condition he had made, in connection with Ginnie's public appearance, was that she should get her evening dresses from the debutante department.

So one morning (leaving it till the last minute, of course) Ginnie sailed into the store and ordered three dresses—from Willy. Miss Axel herself phoned the manufacturers, who swore that the dresses would be ready on Christmas Eve, the night of the opening. And it was during that telephone call that the powers of darkness came over onto my side. I suddenly saw what to do and I did it. Willy had written out the orders herself. So I just checked them.

At four in the afternoon, Ginnie's dresses arrived from the manufacturers. I sent them right out without opening the boxes. I got home at seven, with half an hour to dress. A lot of us were going to the Christmas opening of the Roman Room. I opened the door of the apartment, and said "Hello," because Willy and Fergus were standing in front of our little open fireplace.

"I don't quite understand," she was saying. Her voice was so silky that I knew something was going to happen. "Are you firing me, Fergus, or are you asking me to marry you?"

Fergus said: "I have fired you. And I am asking you to marry me?"

"Why?"

"You know the answer to that," he said steadily.

"No," said Willy.

Fergus' ears turned red, and I took a step into the room. They never even saw me.

"Because I'm in love with you," said Fergus.

"Is that why you're firing me?"

"WILLY, darling," said Fergus gently. "If you honestly don't know why I've had to fire you, I'll tell you. You ordered Ginnie's dresses for tonight—remember? And you ordered them in size 20 instead of size 10."

Ginnie is half crazy. She called Mr. Brackett as soon as the dresses were delivered, but it was too late to do anything. So then he called me.

"I ordered those dresses in size 10," said Willy.

"I looked up the order," he said. "You wrote it."

"But, Fergus—"

"Listen, Willy. It just proves what I've said all along—you're not cut out for business. Darling, listen to me. You need to be taken care of. Please, Willy—I've been in love with you since the first—"

"I don't care whether you've been in love with me since the flood!" Willy said suddenly white with anger. "I understand you, Fergus, and I despise you. You like me to be incompetent and dumb—yes, you do! Because then you seem such a great, big, wonderful man by comparison."

"Willy, you're talking nonsense."

"I'm not. It's true. You couldn't stand it when I proved I had a brain—you went right after Ginnie—the boss' niece! It's so transparent."

"Willy, please—she doesn't mean a thing"

She whirled away from him, and saw me standing there like an idiot. I just shot into the bedroom and shut the door. I was nearly out of my mind. I had thought I was being so clever.

I can't remember who took us to the Roman Room. All I know is that when I came to we were there. We were all sitting at a big table on the edge of the floor, and we were terribly gay, and Sid left the orchestra between every dance and joined us.

Then Ginnie came.

I will say for her that she made as good an entrance in an evening dress she'd worn all Fall as she could have in something that Hollywood had designed for her. She stood there for a minute. Then she sat down. Darlings! she said. "You don't know how I need your moral support!"

It was perfectly clear that they all had been told what Willy had done to her. Willy just sat with her chin up.

"It must have been awful when those dresses didn't come," I said. Willy gave me a terrible kick under the table.

And then all the lights in the room died, and you could see the fog of cigarette smoke in the dim blue path of the spot that was turned on Sid. He sat there, black and white, like a camera study, and I never heard a word he said until . . .

Miss Ginnie Patterson!

And then she was walking across the floor, and everybody was clapping. She turned around and faced the room, smiling, and Sid lifted his hand. . . .

Well, of course, the whole company can whistle those songs now. For weeks no radio programme was complete without "High, Wide and Handsome" or "Dancing in the Streets," or "Crazy Little Hat." But that evening the one they all went crazy over was "My Young Man of Promise." They wanted it over and over, and Sid played it and Ginnie sang it.

THEN, finally, Ginnie came back to our table and sat down, with the room still roaring with applause. We pounded her on the back. Sid raised his hand for silence.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he said, "thank you very much for your enthusiasm. We're glad you liked Miss Ginnie Patterson, and I think perhaps you'd like to meet the composer of the songs you've just been listening to, a composer who is new to the musical world, and—I think you will agree with me—destined for fame. Ladies and gentlemen, may I present Miss Willy Nicholas—"

I think only three people sat perfectly still from shock: Fergus, Ginnie and I. Willy was standing there in the spotlight, smiling that little-boy smile, and people were cheering. I could hear Sid through it, saying:

Has just signed a radio contract. . . . With her the greatest success. . . .

When we finally climbed out of the taxi in front of our apartment Christmas morning was lightening the sky. I staggered into the lobby and turned around to speak to Willy—just in time to see Fergus kiss her.

"Just to show you how much I hate to be proved wrong," he said in a wobbly voice. Willy gasped.

"Fergus, darling, you left your hat on," she said, also in a wobbly voice. "It's not respectful to kiss ladies with your hat on."

"I only respect incompetents," said Fergus. "Like you."

I had my shoes off, and was in a state of complete collapse on the sofa when Willy got upstairs. Then I said: "Pet, I'm so proud of you, I could explode. So that's what you were doing all these weeks—working in Sid's studio!"

Willy grinned feebly and lay down on the floor. "I was dying to tell you, Buddy, but I couldn't, somehow—even you. It meant too much."

"You're friends with Fergus again, I take it?"

Willy blushed, then she sat up weakly. "Buddy—he had to fire me. Do you know what I did—about Ginnie's dresses? I could have sworn I wrote the right size on those order blanks—"

"You did," I told her.

"Buddy! You don't mean to say—"

"I do. I thought I was being terribly smart. I knew Mr. Brackett would fire you when he found what you'd done to his darling niece. And I knew that if he did, Fergus would come back. And I was pretty darned sure that you wanted him back. All very clever. Only I forget that fine Dutch pride of yours. You thought Fergus came back out of pity—and if it hadn't been for your mad success tonight you'd always have thought so. It frightens me when I think how nearly I came to ruining everything."

Willy suddenly began to giggle. "Then you're the person who should have been fired!"

"Oh, no," I said. "Mr. Brackett fired you for criminal carelessness. I wasn't careless. I've never made a mistake like that in my life."

THE Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, which in 1935, started a special section to organize a survey of English windmills and take measures for their preservation, is urging that a greater use should be made of windmills for grinding corn during the war. There are many still in commission and others that could easily be brought into action again, and they do not, of course, consume any fuel.

# Guns and Balloon Barrages

By H. V. Morton

**L**ONDON—Gun barrels like orange bars of incandescent steel swing through the darkened foundry. They come noiselessly, save for the hum of an overhead crane which picks them from the kiln as easily as you would pick a pencil from the floor.

With the terrifying intelligence of machinery, the heavy bars are pushed this way and that, retreating and advancing beneath the giant hammer of an hydraulic press, a thing as high as a house.

They lie there at first motionless until the great hammer comes down and squeezes them as if they were bars of vermilion butter. Then it curls rejects them, and they go away, no longer white hot, but dull and metallic in appearance, and another bar, as orange-red and as covered with jumping salamanders as the first, swings through the air.

Even if your back is turned, you can tell when a gun barrel goes past by the hot breath on your neck.

And the men, like pygmies in silhouette, stand with long rakes and probes of iron as they dodge about in the red glow of white-hot steel.

I stood watching the process in one of the factories which are producing the new 37 anti-aircraft gun, the most amazing weapon of its kind ever produced in this country.

Twenty years ago we should have said that such a gun was impossible.

The works manager led the way into an unbelievable factory, said to be the largest works under one roof-span in Europe. He smiled when I expressed surprise at the size of it, and said that you could put it in a corner of Krupp's and not notice it, but to my eyes it seemed colossal.

## Rough Boring

**H**ERE I saw gun barrels receiving their first rough boring. The twenty-foot-long cylinders of steel are placed horizontally in machines fitted with two drills, which bore a hole from each end.

They bore at the speed of twelve inches an hour. When they are about to meet, one is stopped and the other is allowed to pierce the last thin film of steel. He told me that the average error in this first boring is only 0.10 inch!

This is only the first of many similar processes, each one of which makes the bore larger and more accurate, until at last an electric light is placed at one end of the barrel and the testers, gazing through the other end, see a tunnel of what looks like mirror-glass.

But the barrel is only one of the 3,000 parts that go to make a 37 gun. As we walked past batteries of machines, I saw



HELINSKI AFTER SOVIET BOMBERS PAID VISIT  
This Debris Littered Street is in Helsinki, the Battered Capital of Finland, Following Visits by Russian Air Raiders.

jackets, breech rings, breech blocks, and every other part of the gun being made.

There were machines which were busy on objects as large as recoil cylinders, others making the kind of screws you might put into a clock.

One might describe the factory as an orderly chaos of machinery which does incredible refinements to rough castings, turning brown steel into silver glass, each machine watched by a technical-looking fellow in blue overalls.

The secret of the amazing war effort of British industry is the application of mass production to the manufacture of high precision engineering.

Everywhere in our factories today you see the same thing: highly skilled men operating almost miraculous machines and turning out products at incredible speed, each one a perfect scientific instrument.

In places where men work with their muscles, they drink beer; but in our factories today, where all the muscular work is done by pressing a button on an electric switchboard, one comes across hundreds of milk bottles and cartons. And at gun factories and other armament

works all over the country, I have seen the same collection of white bottles standing among the machinery.

I asked every man I spoke to in this factory if he ever thought of the men who would some day use the guns he was helping to make, and each one told me he often thought about it.

## See Job Through

**O**NE man said that a good workman always saw his job through, but nowadays he was more careful than ever not to "cover anything up," because the slightest error in high precision work might let down the fellow at the front.

"All this beautiful work—and you must say it's beautiful—to cause destruction," said one operator. "It's all wrong. But if a bully won't stop bullying, you can't stop him by writing a letter about it, can you? At least I've never met a bully who could stop without a punch on the nose."

The guns stood with their barrels pointing to the roof, men climbing about them, adjusting this and that. They are so delicately balanced on the centre of the trunnions that a child could elevate them. In the same way the traversing gear works so

smoothly that the huge piece of machinery can be moved almost with a touch.

As I turned a handle and saw the long barrel bow, I thought that the instinct of self-preservation is an amazing thing.

For years inventors have been busily solving the problem—a most difficult one—of hitting a fast-moving plane.

First you have to locate it; secondly you have to know its height, speed and course; and thirdly, you must not fire at it, but at the point in space which it will occupy by the time the shell arrives there.

Although the time a shell takes from the moment it leaves the gun to the moment it reaches a distant point in the air may be only a few seconds, an airplane may have traveled a mile in that time.

Other factors in aerial gunnery are the force of the wind, the curve of the trajectory, and, at certain times, the variation in barometric pressure thousands of feet above the earth.

There are, indeed, so many factors to reckon with that no man, except by an amazing fluke, could set his gun, time his fuse, and bring down an airplane without the aid of instruments.

As an airplane is detected by the senses

of sound and sight, the gun must have mechanical ears and eyes capable of swift and more accurate reactions than those possible to human ears and eyes.

The 37 height-finder, and the predictor used with the gun, are these ears and eyes. As soon as a plane comes into view, the height-finder estimates its height. The predictor then communicates to dials on the gun not only the bearing and the elevation, but also the correct fuse-setting, so that the shell shall burst on the target. It estimates even the wind velocity and the barometric pressure.

Thus, in a matter of seconds, those superhuman ears and eyes have made a calculation which enables a trained gun crew to fire at a raiding plane.

## Balloon Barrage

**O**NE of civilization's oldest toys has been combined with primitive ideas of defence to provide British cities and industrial areas with the most modern method of defeating air raiders. The result is the so-called "balloon barrage."

In the first wars recorded armies expecting an attack defended themselves behind palisades. Sometimes these palisades

were sturdy wooden staves driven into the ground facing the enemy. Again, they have been the spears of dead comrades arranged as talons to stem the advance of an attacking force.

Britain's defence chiefs, seized upon the idea as a means of combating the most up-to-date form of attack—air warfare. They have erected their palisades in the sky, palisades of steel cable attached to a "kite," a plaything of the ancient Chinese.

Since the war began a veritable forest of steel wires has sprung up over Britain. London is circled by these silvery sentinels and at other vulnerable centres thousands of men in the pale blue of the Royal Air Force are on duty day and night flying kite balloons thousands of feet in the air. (But so far the efficiency of these aerial guardians has not been put to a real test. The Germans have confined their air activity to sporadic and small-scale raids, mainly on coastal objectives.)

## Major Objects

**T**HE barrage system, however, has not as its primary purpose the destruction of aircraft. It is designed as a protective shield against the dive-bomber and low-flying planes aiming at the destruction of major objectives. The theory is that raiding pilots encountering the "barrage" are not likely to launch their attack at a height where they will run foul of dangling cables of steel, invisible from a speeding plane.

By forcing the attacks to higher altitudes, anti-aircraft gunners are afforded a better target, while the "barrage" also reduces the area of sky space that must be patrolled by the defending fighter squadrons.

Actually the balloon defence system is not arranged on the lines of the primitive palisade. There is no ring of balloons over which an attacker could fly and dive on his target in the centre. Instead, the balloons are flown in staggered formation from any available open space in a defended area. Each balloon, with its thousands of feet of cable, is a complete, mobile unit. A lorry with power-driven winch looks after the balloon and cable. A trailer carries the supply of gas with which the bag is inflated. This system enables the whole pattern of the cable forest to be altered day by day if necessary.

Most of the men who man the "barrage" were civilians a few months ago. During the period of tension preceding outbreak of war they gave up their spare time for training and when the blow fell were the first of the auxiliary units to be called up for full-time service.

## 'Round London Town

By JOAN LITTLEFIELD  
(Illustrated by North American Newspaper Alliance, Inc.)

**L**ONDON—From January to March, the Royal Academy is holding an exhibition of British art which will illustrate every tendency of painting represented by living British artists. The show is in aid of the British Red Cross and also of the Artists' General Benevolent Institution, artists having been hard hit by the war.

Twenty-two art societies are co-operating in the venture, and each of their 1,200 members was invited to submit three pictures, of which at least one has been hung at Burlington House. Thus, the work of the most academic painters will, for once, be seen side by side with that of the most advanced Surrealists. Many famous men, including Epstein, whose work has never been submitted to the Royal Academy, will be represented in the show. Each work hung will be for sale at a price fixed by the artist. The whole idea is inspired by the present broad-minded president of the Royal Academy, Sir Edward Lutyens.

The oldest of the art societies represented is the Royal Academy itself, which was founded by George III in 1768. Next comes the Royal Society of Painters in Water Colours, known as the "old water color society," which started in 1805. This Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colours was founded twenty-seven years later. Then there are the Royal Society of British Artists, 1823; the Royal Institute of Oil Painters, 1883; the New English Art Club, 1885; the Royal Society of British Sculptors, 1904, and so on down to such ultra-modern organizations as the National Society and the London Group.

## Used Against Napoleon

**T**HE miring of ships at sea appears to be a modern horror, but as early as 1804 the English used a form of mine in the war against Napoleon. When the vessels of his great flotilla prepared for the invasion of Britain would not advance out of range of the protection of French batteries, the British, in addition to the old trick of launching fireships, tried out, not very successfully, a clumsy form of mine which they called a catamaran.

A man called Jacob invented a more successful form of mine some years later, when the British were blockading Kronstadt in the Baltic campaign in the Crimean War. His invention was a cone-shaped zinc vessel, two feet deep and fifteen inches broad. It was moored base upward, the bottom containing a charge of gunpowder. At the broader end was an air chamber, and the firing apparatus was a simple device by which anything impinging strongly against the periphery of the

upturned base of the cone would break a glass tube containing acid in such a manner as to ignite a primer placed below it and communicating with the main charge.

These mines were used by the Russians, and, though they were too small to have a very great effect, they did damage to some of the smaller British ships. The British did not take them very seriously, and when officers were "playing with" one on the quarter-deck of HMS. Exmouth, it exploded, knocking them all down and inflicting some wounds.

## Church Bell Pioneer

**T**HE year 1940 marks the 125th anniversary of the death of the benefactor to whom Britain owes her first church bells. On January 14, 1689, Benedict Biscop died. Nine years earlier he had brought church bells home with him from Italy for his abbey at Jarrow and Wearmouth. We also owe him our plain-song chants, to introduce which he had brought back still earlier the Precentor of St. Peter's in Rome. Biscop went six times to Rome in search of new beauties for his North Country foundations. From France he brought workers in stone, because the Abbey of Jarrow was to be made in that material. In a day when wood was most often used, and also craftsmen in glass for making the lamps and windows.

## War-Inspired Jewelry

**M**ANY women have been rejoicing in novel Christmas jewelry. Its creator is Dorrie Nossiter, whose hand-wrought ornaments have been on show in Bond Street. One necklace of pink and pale green tourmalines and topazes dangling from a rope of pearls she has christened "Hanging on the Siegfried Line." "Before and After" is the name of a pair of dress clips inspired by the blackout. "Before" is a blaze of yellow topazes, while "After" is composed of black onyx dotted here and there with tiny yellow sapphires—a reminder of our torches in the gloom.

Miss Nossiter thinks that the severity of the new wool evening gowns, with their dark colors, high necks and long sleeves, needs lightening, and that these fashions are an admirable background for jewels.

## In the Theatre

**T**HE closing year has not been a vintage year for British playwrights, though we have seen some interesting things in the theatre. Perhaps the most satisfying British play was Emlyn Williams' "The Corn Is Green," which actually began its run at Christmas, 1938, but is still going strong. It is beautifully played by Williams himself as a pitboy of genius and Sybil Thorndyke as the teacher who realizes his

ability. Bernard Shaw's "In Good King Charles' Golden Days" has not yet reached London, owing to the war, but those of us who saw it at Malvern will not easily forget the brilliance of its wit or the glory of its "purple passages."

J. B. Priestley's "Johnson Over Jordan" was disappointing; his "When We Are Married" a highly amusing trifle. "Music at Night," which was for some time London's only serious wartime play, he first produced at Malvern in 1938. A fine Irish play, "Bridge Head," did well at the Westminster, and "Rhonda Roadabout," a Welsh "Love on the Dole," most movingly brought home to us the miners' point of view.

American plays have been popular. The best of them was "Of Mice and Men," the most popular, "The Women," "Alien Corn" and "The Gentle People," though they pleased the discriminating, had only brief runs.

John Gielgud's performance of Hamlet, which was seen at the Lyceum before he took the production to Epsom, ranks among the best pieces of acting of the year, and his production of "The Importance of Being Earnest," with himself and Edith Evans in leading parts, was the most exquisite revival. The war robbed Robert Donat of his season at the Old Vic, but he gave fine performances on tour of Romeo, Dick Dugdale in "The Devil's Disciple," and Croaker in "The Good-Natured Man."

## "Judgment Day" Revived

**E**LMER Rice's "Judgment Day," more popular than ever today, has been revived at the Phoenix Theatre. Yet another revue, this time so intimate that the lovelies descend to the stalls and dance a polka with members of the audience, has begun a run at the Hippodrome. Vic Oliver is its star and several times during the evening he mentions his famous father-in-law, Winston Churchill. The lugubrious Cockneys of Gordon Barker are again to the fore in a comedy-thriller called "Saloon Bar" at Wyndham's. The scene is a public house and the nicely-drawn characters include a barmaid, a polt, a blind customer and various Mayfair playboys and playgirls.

## Evacuees in Opera Shrine

**G**LYNDEBOURNE, in Sussex, where, each Summer, devotees of music and followers of the fashion were wont to listen to opera in perfect surroundings, is now the home-from-home of 250 children, all under the age of five. Neither the stage nor the auditorium of the theatre has been used for billeting, but the children have the run of the ground floor of John Christie's manor house, the artists' green room and some of the outbuildings. Mr. Christie and his family have moved to his other country house, Tapley Park, North Devon.

## Coffee Houses in Lombard Street

**T**HE courts and alleyways in the vicinity of Lombard Street were at one time occupied by many well-known taverns, coffee houses and club houses which have since disappeared, except in one or two instances.

It was in these haunts of bygone days that many merchants and traders met and discussed their problems and transactions in the world of commerce. Lloyd's originated in the seventeenth century from a coffee house bearing this name, which, stood in Lombard Street at the corner of Abchurch Lane. The coffee house, founded by one Edward Lloyd, was frequented by numbers of merchants and shippers, and it was from among them that the organized association of "Lloyd's" was formed.

Between Lombard Street and Cornhill is Change Alley, and here in the time of Queen Anne were to be seen Jonathan's and Garraway's coffee houses. At the end of the seventeenth century Thomas Garraway began to sell tea in his establishment, and it is stated that his was the first place where tea was sold to the public in this country. About noon was the popular time for visiting the coffee houses and Defoe describes Garraway's at that time of the day as being "frequented by people of quality who had business in the City." Garraway's customers were mostly merchants, while stockbrokers were numerous among the frequenters of Jonathan's. The former coffee house remained open until 1874, when it taken over by Martin's Bank for extension of premises.

## First Coffee House

**O**NE of the first coffee houses to be opened was in St. Michael's Alley in 1652 by Pasqua Rosa, a Ragusan, who stated that "coffee is a very good help to the digestion, quickens the spirits, and is good against sore eyes." A coffee house known as Sam's stood on the site in Lombard Street now occupied by Lloyds Bank, and here many dealers in the jewelry trade congregated. Other coffee houses of note were Seymour's in Pope's Head Alley, which was destroyed by fire about sixty years after the Great Fire, the Jerusalem Coffee House, which until 1879 did business on the site of Cowper's Court where Jerusalem Chambers are now situated, Tom's Coffee House in Birch Lane, Jim's in Finch Lane, and the Jamaica, the rendezvous of West Indies merchants, in St. Michael's Alley.

In direct opposition to the coffee houses there were the taverns which were the first corners, and whose proprietors bitterly resented this new competition, and in several instances commissioned artists to lampoon them. In Castle Court the George and Vulture still exists today and is the headquarters of the City Pickwick Club,

which was founded in 1909 to perpetuate the memory of Charles Dickens. The fame of this house owes much to the novelist, who mentions it in "Pickwick Papers." Reference to this inn, at one time known as "The George," can be traced as far back as the end of the sixteenth century, though it was rebuilt about a century and a half later. Then there was the Pope's Head Tavern in the alleyway bearing the same name between Cornhill and Lombard Street. At the time of the Great Fire this tavern was owned by the Merchant Taylors' Company. At the beginning of the eighteenth century it was the scene of a duel between two actors named Bowen and Quin during which the former was run through.

## Pope's Head Tavern

**C**LOSE to the Pope's Head Tavern, but with a frontage in Cornhill, was the Saracen's Head.

Another old Lombard Street inn was the Cardinal's Capp, standing close to a lane called the Swan and Hoop. In its early days it was presented to a religious brotherhood, but later became an inn once more. It was untouched by the Great Fire and afterwards was known as "The Cock." In Dove Court was an inn called the Five Bells. This was, however, demolished to make way for the construction of King William Street, which was planned to connect with the new London Bridge in the reign of William IV.

A much more recent demolition in the name of progress occurred when Birch's in Cornhill, one of London's oldest restaurants, was taken over and closed down in 1927. This was for the purpose of erecting the new Lloyd's Bank building, and the original shop front of Birch's was presented by the directors of the bank to the Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington. This old restaurant had been established in Cornhill in George I's reign and later passed to Messrs. Ring & Brymer, who catered for banquets held at Guildhall.

Lombard Street has indeed changed since the days when the taverns and the coffee houses were at the height of their popularity, but what it may now lack in the nature of the picturesque it has certainly made up in efficiency.

## British Legation Grows

**B**ERNE—Sir George Warner's successor at the British Legation here, Mr. David Kelly, will find the Legation grown in size almost to an Embassy. Sir George has a press-attaché and a full-time military attaché as well as a commercial secretary, Mr. Setchell. In Mr. Setchell's department is also working Captain Cartwright, who,

on his fourth attempt, escaped from a German prison camp in the last war. Another member of the Legation is Captain R. P. Llewellyn, formerly archivist at the British Embassy in Warsaw, where he had to leave behind his car, his collection of period furniture, and, indeed, all his belongings except the clothes he wore and a change or two of linen. En route he exchanged two shirts for a pair of shoes with a colleague in Rumania.

## Finland's Field Marshal

**B**ARON Karl von Mannerheim, commander-in-chief of Finland's defences, is so tall and slim and so young in his bearing, despite his seventy-two years and grey hair, that one cannot think of him as an old man. This fine cavalry officer that once adorned the Tsar's Imperial Guard is the fine field marshal who might have been King of Finland. He maintains the great traditions of a line of noble and famous ancestors and was born to be a liberator. He is a fine horseman and skier, and a master of six languages. He has written several books, one of them in English. He was in England for the funeral of King George V.

Swedes remember this steel-blue-eyed warrior particularly for an incident when he visited the King of Sweden in Stockholm. Troops were being reviewed on an arctic day in Stockholm's Winter, and, as Mannerheim wore no great coat, the King offered him a cloak. Indicating the insignia of the Swedish Order of the Sword across his breast, the great soldier bowed and said, "Heaven forbid that the weather should cause me to hide the emblem of Your Majesty's noble order."

Marshal Mannerheim was for thirty years in the Russian Imperial army. He fought for the Tsar on the Eastern front during the last war and against the Russians in 1917, when Finland declared its independence after the Russian revolution. It is said that he beat the Russians then by disobeying orders, for he stuffed an order of the Finnish Government into his pocket which bade him not to attack, as a defeat seemed certain.

## "Finished" in England

**V**ERY English is the daughter of M. Tatarscu, Rumania's new Prime Minister. She is Bana, a very attractive eighteen-year-old petite brunette, who "finished" at a school in Pont Street, London, and was presented at the English Court before returning home last Summer. She has much musical talent. Her father, originally a lawyer, studied in France and went to Paris as ambassador, resigning last June to return to politics at home. He, too, speaks fluent English and was a good deal in England the Summer before last, preparing for King Carol's visit to London.

# Over the Hills and Far Away

By Robert Connell

THE fascination the hills have for many of us has its roots not infrequently in association of ideas. A delightful expression of this is given by Byron in "The Island, or Christian and His Comrades," a poem based on the story of the Bounty mutiny. It occurs in canto XII, where he tells how Torquil the Hebridean and Neuha the "gentle savage of the wild" were:

"Both children of the isles, though distant far;  
Both born beneath a sea-presiding star;  
Both nourished amidst Nature's native scenes,  
Loved to the last, whatever intervenes  
Between us and our childhood's sympathy,  
Which still reverts to what first caught the eye.  
He who first met the Highlands' swelling blue  
Will love each peak that shows a kindred hue,  
Hail in each crag a friend's familiar face,  
And clasp the mountain in his mind's embrace.  
Long have I roamed through lands which are not mine,  
Adored the Alp and loved the Apennine,  
Revered Parnassus, and beheld the steep  
Jove's Ida and Olympus crown the deep;

But 'twas not all long ages' lore, nor all  
Their nature held me in their thrilling thrall;  
The infant rapture still survived the boy,  
And Loch-na-gar with Ida looked o'er Troy.  
Mixed Celtic memories with the Phrygian mount,  
And Highland lins with Castalia's clear fount.  
Forgive me, Homer's universal shade!  
Forgive me, Phœbus! that my fancy strayed;  
The North and Nature taught me to adore  
Your scenes sublime from those beloved before."

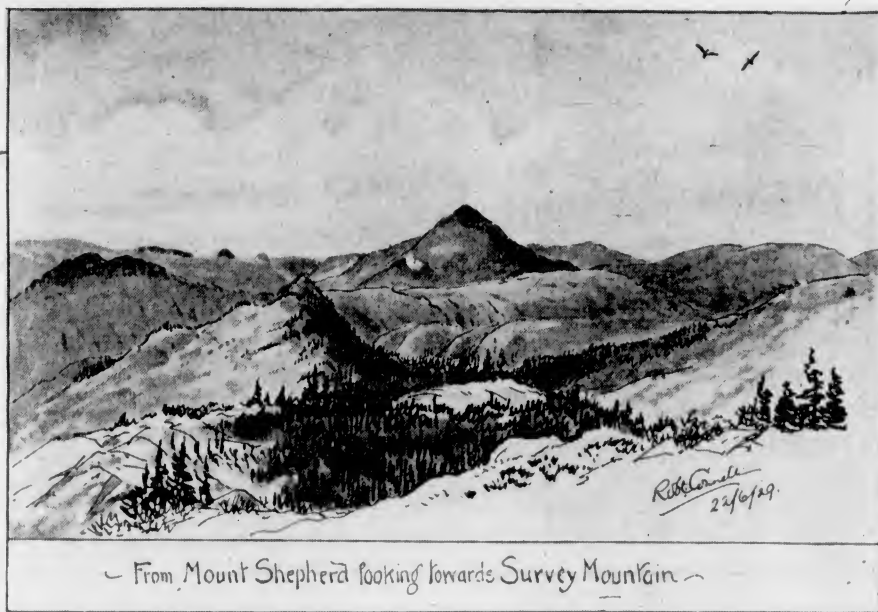
This is a capital piece of psychological description. I would add that the association sometimes asserts itself in curious ways. I was tramping over one of the treeless slopes of the Sooke Hills one day some years ago. The ground was rough and stony between the ledges of rock, and I had to keep my eyes watchful over my feet. Suddenly with the greatest distinctness I was back on an upland sheepwalk in Scotland, where, as a boy, I had wandered among crags and moorland heather. The sensation was as real as any other, though it lasted only a few seconds I suppose. Perhaps this kind of experience, which, no doubt, many others have had, is akin to the one sometimes described in the words: "I felt I had been there before."

## Above the Lowly

BUT affection for the hills is not altogether a matter of survival of childhood impressions. Other elements assert themselves and even overshadow the primary feelings. Thus love of the wide prospect afforded by an elevated point, "the grand terraqueous spectacle from centre to circumference unveiled," as Wordsworth calls it, is one of the great attractions of hill-climbing and of mountaineering. On a clear day Mount Douglas affords a wonderful panorama, still more wonderful if the ascent is made just before sunset when storm clouds reflect the last rays in many-colored splendor. Even Mount Tolmie, comparatively low as it is, displays fine views, though by no means so striking. Mount Skirt affords a delightful picture of Victoria and Esquimalt with their harbors. From points on the Sooke Hills just above the highway the waters of Sooke basin, harbor and bay with their encircling hills and jutting peninsulas are beautifully displayed. The summit of Mount Shepherd displays a fine view of the highlands up Sooke River and the Leech. Conspicuous among the hills is Survey Mountain, rising above the North Fork. From the summit of the latter again the eye takes in the great trench occupied by the Leech, Bear Creek, the Jordan, Creek and Loss Creek. It is not, however, always the highest points that afford the finest views. Some hills are so situated that the foreground is comparatively uninteresting and is not compensated by the distant scenery.

## From Mount Jocelyn

EVERYONE is familiar with the striking views of Finlayson Arm from the Island Highway. Not so many, however, know the spectacle from the opposite side. There the long wall of rock that stretches from Mount Finlayson to Jocelyn Hill rises from 1,000 feet to nearly 1,400 above the waters of the arm. Actually Mount Jocelyn is higher than Mount Finlayson, though the latter's isolated form gives it an aspect of greater altitude. A fine view is obtained from Mount Jocelyn, whose summit is reached from the Highland district road, but not by car. It is possible though to get another fine view from the ridge by an old road that leads almost to the top of the ridge, ending at a cabin. I first stumbled across this in following old trails, one of which took me into a deserted farm-house, whence I wandered by swamp and bush till I came out on the road again near the cabin mentioned. From here a steepish walk brought me in a few minutes to one of the most delightful of rest-



— From Mount Shepherd looking towards Survey Mountain —

ing places with the dark sea-loch lying far below like a strip of silk. While the north-facing wall is by no means perpendicular it is uncommonly steep, enough so to make the whole spectacle a very impressive one. The prospect from Jocelyn includes the pass by which the railway cross over from the arm to Shawnigan Lake, and to the geologically-minded it is not hard to picture in the imagination the body of ice that filled the basin in which the lake lies. At first a part of the general ice-cap that entered and filled the arm, it then was detached from it as the great break-up proceeded through the years, and finally, steadily decreasing, it left behind it on the pass, as seen particularly about Malahat station, a rough, irregular, bouldery moraine.

## Among Craggy Rocks

THE scenery of the hilltops is all the better appreciated because of the exercise required to reach the vantage points. The particular kind of exercise found in hill-climbing calls into exercise all parts of the body; I mean, of course,

such hill-climbing as involves more or less clambering over and up and down craggy rocks, not necessarily requiring the skill of the mountaineer, but demanding at times the use of fingers as well as toes. A nice sharp piece of work of this kind invigorates the brain and clears away mental fog, and altogether puts one in the most desirable state for surveying the scenery from the top. If you are weary, as you probably are, you prop yourself against one of the leached blocks of stone that Nature has blasted in her way from the parent mass, and if you are hot, as is also very probable, you will be glad of the protection afforded from the cool wind that almost invariably freshens these exposed summits. Sometimes you are compelled to seek the protection of a thicket of manzanita, or you may discover a ledge so situated that it combines both shelter and outlook. But, however and wherever you may adjust yourself, be sure the blood that tingles through your system will have stirred your sensibilities as well as sharpened your sight. So that the hill-rambler

who seeks first for invigorating exercise in his adventures will find a bonus in his heightened enjoyment of our charming highland scenery.

## A Familiar Hill

A FAMILIAR hill to illustrate our thesis is Mount Finlayson with its height of 1,342 feet. So conspicuous is it, though its form is hardly elegant, that an old nautical name for it was "Leading Peak." Towards Goldstream Flats it presents a very steep face, broken, however, by somewhat diagonal ledges bearing scattered trees. Two or three disasters have happened to climbers on this face. Perhaps the commonest way of ascent is from the north, starting from the Highland district crossroad where it swings down to the flats. By this way you pass through thick forest without actual climbing, but the landscape is hidden by the trees. My favorite way of going up is on the opposite or south side. Where the road through the park takes a turn at right angles to pass below the cliffs, a logging road runs

steeply uphill. Follow it to the top of the first ascent and then swing to the left up a steep hillside where a rude trail is to be found. Then follow up a mountain creek on the side where you find yourself till you see the cliffs above on the left with steep slopes lightly covered with trees. Make your way across the creek to these slopes and follow along the cliff-foot upward till you come to irregular step-like rocks. The way to the summit lies over them and the climber will be well repaid. It is not, however, to be taken as you would a walk in Beacon Hill Park, or even Goldstream Park. The high heel of a lady's shoe I picked up on these rocks one day tells significantly how it ought not to be done. There is just enough exercise on this little climb to be exhilarating and to enable one to enjoy to the full the experience expressed in Wordsworth's phrase: "The power of hills is on thee."

## Little Lace Fern

IF the rambler in the hills is in any degree a botanist he has a still further source of joy in his encounters with the rocks. He may, if he is fortunate, see in some tiny cleft of the Mount Finlayson cliffs the little lace fern, *Cheilanthes gracillima*, whose greyish green fronds suggest at once a plant of dry places. On the Island it is peculiar to this mountain and to Maple Mountain, but it extends from Western Mountain through the mountains to Nevada and to the neighborhood of Yosemite Park, Cal. In the Sooke Hills you find a different flora. Empress Mountain boasts the creeping Menzies' pentstemon with its large purplish flowers. On the lower hills you come across Bongard's saxifrage with its bullet-like among the flowering branches vying with the seeds for the propagation of the species. It is most commonly found on exposed ledges thinly covered with soil. In the Cattle Hills grows that handsome mountain plant, *Luzula hypoleuca*; it has no English name. Its stems and lower surfaces of the leaves are covered with silvery-white hairs. The upper sides of the leaves are bright green. The flattish topped clusters exhibit creamy-white flower heads. Henry well calls it a "beautiful mountain plant," and it is particularly fine growing against the dark basaltic cliffs and gullies that flank the great walls above the Sooke Highway. The Sooke Hills are peculiarly rich in such ferns as the Oregon woodsia, the maidenhair spleenwort, the parsley-fern and the cliff-brake or Indian's dream. In the valleys we may come across not only the maidenhair, the oak-fern, the wood-fern and the lady-fern, but in a

solitary locality the Sierra wood-fern. On the open slopes of the hills on each side of Sooke River is to be found about the end of May the rare *Githopsis speculoides*, a tiny annual campanula with deep blue flowers. And there are other rare and interesting plants to be found by the keen-sighted.

## Look for Scenery

SCENERY is greatly enhanced in interest by some familiarity with the geological structure and history of the countryside. Even an otherwise prosaic landscape takes on a new and often fascinating interest when the story of its making is known to us even partially. A few suggestions as to what to look for in our scenery may therefore be of interest and use to those who wish to understand the countryside with its hills and valleys. Probably one of the first things noticed when we look towards either the Sooke or Goldstream hills is that they have a comparatively even skyline. Now, if instead of looking at them from a lower point and at a distance, we take our stand on one of the hills from which we have a good view, Mount Shepherd or Bluff Mountain or Empress Mountain, the eye will hardly fail to notice that here, too, there is still a certain uniformity of height, so that the hills may be said to resemble the waves of the sea. Here and there a hill higher than the general average may stand out, and when such a height is isolated and conspicuous above the common level it is called by geologists a "monadnock" after a well-known New England mountain of this type. The term describes an isolated mountain or hill rising above a worn-down land surface, a "peneplain" or "almost a plain." Hills of this type are very common about Victoria. Mount Douglas is a conspicuous example almost at our doors. Monadnocks owe their existence as such to the fact that weathering and erosive processes have worn away and removed the surrounding rock surface, and left these individuals unscathed either by reason of the superior hardness of the rock of which they are composed, or because the river systems of the country have in some way failed to exert their cutting influence upon them. It is plain that on our side of the Sooke and Goldstream hills the worn-down plain lies low as compared with that which we find when we look across those hills. They, in turn, represent an old worn-down surface, cut by river valleys, some of which run along the strike or grain of the country, while others cross the strike. These valleys represent the cutting power of flowing water, and how great that is we see when we cross some of them from crown to crown of the enclosing sides. The lower plains about Victoria and Saanich or along the Jordan River road have been worn down by the sea, and we can see behind them the walls of rock against which in by-gone days the sea broke.

## The Glacier's Mark

ANOTHER interesting feature is that the elevated peneplain that begins with the hills of Goldstream and Sooke gradually slopes upward as we pass into the interior of the Island, so that while monadnocks there may be no higher above sea level. But as we get further up the Island we reach heights which bear a new character, for the rocks of which they are composed are bold, pinnacled and turreted, completely different from the smoother hills that lie around them. These like Mount Arrowsmith are the heights that stood out above the great ice-sheet, and were not eroded by it though they bear the marks of their own local glaciers. The ice-cap's influence is very well seen from the steamer's deck as we pass along the Island's northeast shore. Then we can see the long hog-back ridges worn smooth by the southward-riding ice, and behind them the heights that represent the unglaciated surface above the 4,000 feet or so of glacial ice.

## Volcanic Rocks

IN the Sooke hills one of the most interesting features is the volcanic character of the rocks. Everywhere are to be found beds of volcanic debris from the finest dust to a coarse angular agglomeration of pieces ranging in diameter from a foot or two down to a fraction of an inch, all consolidated to rock and all the result of volcanic explosions. Still more abundant are the massive beds of lava piled one on top of the other and so resembling remotely beds of water-laid sediment. These again are cut by lava-filled fissures in size from a quarter of an inch to several feet. Here, too, are to be seen the celebrated pillow-lava which show that much of the lava was poured into the sea. This is verified by the presence among these curious rocks of sediments containing marine animals. Then in places, sometimes on the hills as about Ragged Mountain and sometimes on the valley sides, we come across rocks with a granite-like structure and occasionally true granites, all of which were forced at a later date into the lavas from the molten body below.

And then finally, almost everywhere we come across the traces of the ice in markings such as scratches, grooves and pollings, and of the deposits dropped from it or carried off from it by water when melting set in. The erratic boulders of our hills would alone be a study for many an expedition. There is a vast deal of interest in the hills that has scarcely as yet been scratched. No wonder so many of us for this reason, or that, or for a combination of reasons, love the hills of Vancouver Island.

# A Radio Revolt Ends in a Waste-Basket Disclosure

A Helen and Warren Story

By MARCEL HERBERT UINER.

THE fireside languor of a suburban afternoon. An interminable afternoon!

How many Sundays just like this! The same overheated room, the same snow-patched yard, the same hypnotic stream of cars beyond.

Everything the same! Only the chintz curtains replaced by hand-blocked linen. Conscientiously Helen trying to keep alert. But as always after the midday dinner, drowsy in the soporific heat.

These week-end visits like a recurrent dream—an unpleasant dream! But an inescapable family duty.

Now as usual, his sister's monopolizing monologue. And on her favorite theme—the maid.

With a bored yawn, Warren reached over to turn on the radio.

A synthetic hillbilly. Dutiful laughter from the studio audience.

... concluding number, the Saxophone Six will swing Chopin's Funeral March.

"Jazzing up a funeral march! That's ghoulish!" dialing on.

With all your charms divine... "How I loathe those 'slushy' songs!" Carrie lighting a cigarette.

"And a lot of 'em catch the censors napping!"

"Poke up that log, Lawrence. Nothing drowsy on?"

"There's the radio page," her husband prying up the fallen log.

... courtesy of the Staneproof Stove Company. Remember the name—spell S-t-a-n-e-p-r-o-o-f. Staneproof Stoves for Sizzling Steaks! Send for our free book of Staneproof Recipes. Write the Staneproof Stove Company—S-t-a-n-e-p-r-o-o-f.

"Think everybody's a moron?" disgustedly Warren clicked off. "More they drum the name—less I'd want to buy! Toughens my sales resistance."

"The way some things are advertised—I'd shrink from asking for them!" Helen moved further from the fire.

"That must limit your purchases!" scoffed her sister-in-law.

"Well, the better firms give you decent programmes—with a minimum sales talk. Cheaper the concern, more insistent the advertising."

"And the whiskered dodges!" Lawrence replacing the fire screen. "This offer for a limited time only! Ask your dealer today!"

"And all the fool contests! 'What my dog thinks of Protus Pup Pills'—What kind of suckers fall for those?"

"Mrs. Barnes won five hundred dollars—that's not being a sucker!" bristled Carrie. "For the best last line to a limerick."

"Oh, I love limericks! The one thing I'd like to try," admitted Helen.

"Think you'd stand a chance of winning?"

Not just the words—but Carrie's derisive voice that was always so belittling! Yet say nothing. Not kindle the always latent antagonism.

"Send in label or box top!" Warren lighting his pipe. "Or a 'reasonably accurate facsimile!' Wonder if they ever got a 'facsimile!'"

"All the box tops I mail in for Bobbie! For things they get up to send children. He makes me buy more cereals—"

"Go after the kids, eh? That's not sporting—no sales resistance. Well, Northrop's on at four-thirty," glancing at his watch. "Pretty good commentator. And with news you don't get the long sales spiels."

"You don't?" sniffed his sister. "Some with two minutes of news and ten advertising! You should hear a few of the morning programmes."

"The piffle that's supposed to appeal to women, eh?"

"Those serials are the worst!" Carrie crushed out her cigarette. "Of all the inanities!"

"Huh, can't be worse than the 'By Gosh' sketches," grumped Warren. "The yap voices and punk grammar—insult to every farmer!"

"And to everyone else!" Helen, I've just had that chair refinished. Would you mind not putting your feet on it?"

"Oh, I'm sorry," hastily taking them from the rug. "I'm so used to a footstool."

"Where's that one we had?" Lawrence started up. "Broken? Well, get another!"

"Just a nuisance—someone's always falling over them. And most of our guests manage very nicely without posing their feet on a footstool!"

Helen stroking the Scottie nuzzling against her. As always, trying to ignore her sister-in-law's thrusts.

"Turn on the lights, Lawrence." Still her domineering orders. "Dark so early now."

Yes, deepening shadows. Outside, the leafless trees gaunt black sentinels.

Now with the lights on, the pine-paneled room cheerfully aglow. But the intolerable heat. The radiator, the log fire—and all the windows closed!

A noisy interlude as Bobbie bounced in. Straight to the radio, clamoring for the Phantom Cowboy.

"He's not on Sundays, precious. No, nothing else you'd like. What time is it?" Five after four?" taking up the radio page.

"The Hi-Hat Hour—that's vile!"

Carrie in her element when denouncing anything. Again launched on the radio.

More criticism of the advertising. Serious programmes interrupted to laud dandruff cures. Sketches starting like plays—to end in an exasperating ad!

And the testimonials! Dramatized letters from mythical customers. How Vitature Soap saved her romance—

The purpose defeated by the insistence. Rousing the listener's antagonism.

"Do many really listen? Their radios kept on more as a background," suggested Helen. "And those repeated names impressed on their subconscious!"

"Well, my subconscious must be pretty obtuse!" Warren chuckled. "Hasn't registered any of those blurbs."

"And the way they announce them. Come here, Bobbie, let mother fix your collar. All that forced enthusiasm!"

"Pretty tough job—having to rave over the same product day after day. No wonder their rapture rinks false!"

"Or else they're so blamed unctuous," Lawrence stretching lazily. "Announce a bargain in rat poison as if they were offering salvation!"

"And some of them so affected. The ultra-perfect diction—"

"Makes you want to blurt something ungrammatical! But the women are worse. Those saccharine voices!"

"Oh, you're all just trying to be critical. The radio's really a miracle!" championed Helen. "Think of hearing a gypsy orchestra from Budapest—Big Ben from London—"

"And a lot of static with it," disparaged Carrie.

"Not often. And working around the house, how wonderful to hear a symphony, an opera, a play—"

"A play! Bobbie, put down those fire tongs. One of those maudlin 'serenades'!"

"The stage plays I love those! I wish they'd adapt more. And I can sew while I listen—hem curtains or trim a hat. Not waste time!"

"I suppose your time's so valuable!" another sister-in-law taunt.

"Now Helen's right—in a lot of good stuff on. Sports, for instance—football, baseball, boxing. And all the sport news."

"Especially now!" welcoming Warren's support. "So much happening. And think of hearing kings—prime ministers—dictators—"

"Yep, Kitten, you can darn my socks while you tune in on history!"

"If they don't rouse you out at six in the morning," shrugged his sister. "Lawrence can't you stir up that fire?"

"Oh, it's so—so close in here! I was wondering—couldn't we open a window?" ventured Helen.

"Now I'm just over one cold. You can't raise those right on my back. And that

side won't stay up. We've ordered new chains!"

"I think I can make it stay," darting to the waste-basket.

Snatching out a circular. Tearing off a corner, folding it for a wedge.

Yes, the side window staying up. A few refreshing inches.

Her chance glimpse of the torn sheet. A form letter.

Dear Contestant,  
Your entry in our \$20,000 prize contest has been received. It will be given careful consideration by impartial judges.

We appreciate your interest in YOUTHGLO, "The Powder That Glamorizes..."

"Why, Carrie!" amazed indiscretion. "Isn't this a radio contest?"

"Where'd you get that?" shrilly, starting up. "Snooping around my desk?"

"From the waste-basket!" reddening. "To wedge the window. I—I just noticed it's about a contest—"

"Contest, eh?" Warren took the letter. "Well, this's rich! And with all your cynicisms—you fell for that—"

"A legitimate promotion contest," jolly. "Sponsored by a reputable firm."

"They'll hand out the prizes, all right. But they won't lose on it. Had to send in a box top, didn't you?"

"Naturally, Bobbie, if you don't put down those tongs— You must try the powder to know what to say about it!"

"How Youthglo made you the hit of the party—in fifty words?"

"That's not so very witty, Warren! They want a new slogan."

"What's wrong with 'The Powder That Glamorizes'?" still chuckling. "Let's hear your inspiration!"

"You wouldn't appreciate it," tearing up the letter. "As a matter of fact, it's an excellent powder. I've been using it."

"And I never noticed you'd been glamorized!" teased Lawrence.

"You won't think it's so hilarious if I win first prize—three thousand!"

"Got it all spent? Am I in on the take?"

"I'd thought of a South American cruise for us both," her strained laugh. "But since you're so sceptical—I'll make it a mink coat!"

"Better not order it yet," grinned Warren. "They'll get a truckload of slogans."

"Not like mine! And if Mrs. Barnes could win five hundred for a limerick—"

"Wish you luck, Carrie. But didn't think you'd fall for any radio spiel! Way you were panicking—"

"I didn't criticize contests!" always her quibbling evasions.

"Well, guess those advertising experts know their stuff. Crudest methods seem to get results, knocking out his pipe. 'We were wondering who fell for that broadcast boloney—and now we know!'"

# The Night Hawk's Vigil

By K. W. Hambleton

IN the glorious days of the "Old West," when the cattleman was king and ruled over a vast domain, his herds ranged over many square miles of grass land. Free from the restraint of a fence and driven before the icy blast of a winter storm or drifting against a strong wind in mosquito time would find them at the end of their drift scattered over many miles of territory far from their home range and mixed up with the cattle of neighboring ranchers.

To gather and return cattle to their respective owners, "roundups" were formed. The big outfits running from ten to thirty thousand head of cattle usually operated their own "wagons" and hired their own crew, which included the boss, or "Captain" as he was called, the cook, and day and night herders called "Wrangler" and "Night Hawk," respectively, and a crew of fifteen or more riders to gather and drive the cattle. Riders, representing the owners of neighboring ranches, accompanied the roundup, and were called "reps." These men took six to eight saddle horses with them, and like all the riders furnished their own saddles and bed roll. The blankets were rolled up in waterproof tarpaulins that spread under and over them at night. Each man had a good oilskin slicker, as he had to be out in all kinds of weather, and as a cowpuncher hates to sit in a wet saddle they take great care at night to keep them dry and tuck their slickers all around and well under to protect them from rain.

## Were Good Riders

THOSE chosen to represent their different outfits were usually good riders, handy with a rope and expert at reading brands. Each "rep" paid so much to the cook wagon for board. Sometimes the bed tent would be so crowded that somebody would have to sleep out, and in that case should you wake in the morning at the cook's call of "roll out" and find it raining, it takes a lot of will power to rise and dress in it. Roundups of cattle owned by small ranchers was a community affair, with operating expenses shared by all its members, who sent a rider to represent them, and though they were independent riders they were under the orders of a wagon boss appointed by the members.

Nowadays when Spring comes, men, meeting ask "When will we get on the land?" or "When will seedling be done?" but in the old days range men on meeting would ask one another "When will the roundup be held?" A meeting would be called and attended by all the ranchers in the district to settle this important question and arrangements made when and where the roundup should begin. This was usually at the end of June, when grass was good and cattle weak from the effects of a hard winter had put on a little flesh and could stand handling.

The object of roundups, besides gathering cattle, was to brand the calves and turn the bulls loose to breed; and in later years, when mange was prevalent, to run cattle through a dip composed of lime and sulphur to cure them. After that cattle were left alone to fatten until autumn, when the roundup would be out gathering beef.

Preparations for the roundup called for a lot of time and hard work. Equipment was looked over and put in shape, and horses were run in and tried out. Each cowboy was allotted his string of horses and they included, besides the steady, well-broken horses, one or two green, untrained broncs, for there is no better way to train a cow horse than to break him working with cattle.

## Good Men Needed

EVERY outfit had its rough string of snaky broncs and spilt horses, and it took a good man to ride them and get any work out of them. There always were men around that made riding horses their business. These "bronc busters" were in great demand and were paid well for their dangerous work. The cook had been busy loading up the wagon with grub and cooking utensils. "Reps" had been riding in driving their string of ponies ahead of them and leading a pack horse with their beds roped on. There would be much laughing and talking among the boys, while the horses herded together were nickering and snorting as they always do while getting acquainted. The beds and belongings were piled into the bed wagon and covered with canvas securely fastened, as there was rough country to cross and nowhere to replace lost articles.

At last the big day had arrived, all was ready, the cook climbed on his wagon and the Night Hawk on the bed wagon, four-horse teams hitched to the wagons, a whip cracked, and a shout goes up; with a strain on the traces they were away. The "pilot," a man well acquainted with the country, leads the way, while the wagons follow close behind. After them trail the loose saddle horses driven by the riders in the rear.

When the day's trail was ended, everyone helped to make camp. The mess tent was set up close to the back of the wagon and a flap stretched over the mess box to keep it dry. The Night Hawk halts his team well behind the cook wagon so that the dust from the horse corral would not enter the cook tent. After the beds were unloaded and piled into the bed tent, the corral ropes were fixed to the wagon wheels on one side and strung out from the wagon in the form of a big vee with the ends staked to the ground and held up by iron stakes; two coils of heavy inch rope were kept for this purpose and



King George Symbolizes the Unity of the Allied Cause as He Reviews French Troops at an Unnamed Point on the Western Front. His Majesty's Visit to France Brought Him into Contact With the Armed Forces of Both Nations.

## Fussing With Broncs

IN the early days of the roundup, when we had not been out long enough to get these broncs, there would be a lot of fuss in the morning saddling and riding them. The green horses were ridden on the morning circle to give them plenty of hard work to quieten them, saving the better-trained ones for the more difficult task of cutting out cattle. Sometimes these twisty broncs had to be blindfolded and their front feet securely held by a rope in the hands of a cowboy, to saddle and mount them. In this case, if our nerves and tempers had not been tried by a wet night or cold, drizzly dawn, the morning catch was apt to be an hilarious affair. There would be jokes and much laughter and cries of "Ride him, cowboy" or "Suck him, son," for more than likely there would be several bucking contests going on at the same time. Contests were between man and horse, for there was no whistle blown, no time limit set. It was a ride to the finish. I have always held that the best rides were put up on the range in the everyday work of the cowboy. He has to mount a rearing, twisting bronc, who is often bucking before he settles in the saddle, and finishes his ride with only one foot in the stirrup.

Unlike rodeo contestants, all dressed up and ready to go, he never knows when his bronc will "blow up." He might ride him all day, only to be caught off his guard and thrown on his way back to camp. Sometimes a high-strung bronc gets started the wrong way and becomes an "outlaw," submitting to no man's will. A horse of this type can easily be spolt in his first lesson by too rough treatment on the part of his trainer, for not all good riders make successful horse breakers. They are too confident of their ability to ride them and like to have them buck.

On this roundup morning, after each twisty snake had gone through his morning's performance, everyone assembled around the Captain to receive orders. He would allot certain sections of the country to different men, who, taking several riders with them, would work that part thoroughly, bringing all the cattle found back to a common centre near the wagon. In this way the whole country was worked. These were called circle rides, and two were made each day. At noon some of the riders were left in charge of the cattle gathered in the morning, while the others headed for camp and ate dinner. After changing horses they returned and relieved the herders. As the district was cleared of cattle, the wagon slowly moved on to where more cattle would be found, sometimes every day to a new site, always camping near water. Although drinking water was carried in a keg on the side of the wagon, water for the stock was necessary. If the Summer had been hot and dry, cattle would be easily located not far from water. If it had been one of those unusually wet Summers we used to have in the old days, with water in the sloughs everywhere and mosquitoes mad, cattle would be scattered all over the range, thus doubling the work of gathering them. The herd grew daily as our work progressed, and were watched day and night, as those cattle were wild and would stampede at the drop of a hat. The night herders worked in shifts of two or three hours, according to the number of riders. They caught up fresh mounts when the horses were corralled just before dark and tied them to the wagon wheels to await their riders' turn at standing guard. All look turns at the different shifts. First and last shift, or guard, as they were called, were the best, as your sleep was not disturbed in the middle of the night. If the night was wet, stirrups would be crossed over the seat of the saddle and a slicker thrown over it.

## The Night Shifts

OH, those night shifts, sometimes in rain or snow, mostly cold, and always uncomfortable. One such shift I well remember. We were holding a beef herd at the shipping point, waiting for cars. These cattle were Mexican Longhorns and extremely wild. They had been "goosey" and wanted to run ever since leaving their home range. The boss, afraid of a stampede at night, had posted two men on the night shift. A fellow by the name of

Quail and myself were due to stand guard at midnight. It was raining hard and the bright flashes of lightning warned a thunder storm was close at hand. Our turn came when one of the fellows we were to relieve crept silently into the tent and woke us up. We donned our chaps and slickers, mounted our horses and followed the man out to the herd. It was pitch dark and we had to wait for a flash of lightning to show us the way. We found the herd uneasy and milling around in a tight bunch, ready for a run. It was the rule when two men were on a shift for each man to ride around the herd in opposite directions so as not to leave one side of the herd unguarded, as would be the case if both men rode together.

We had been on duty about an hour and were having our hands full holding them together, when the approaching storm broke overhead with a loud clap of thunder. The flashes of lightning increased in intensity. Our slow trot around the herd developed into a run, as we repeatedly turned back a drift of the now-crazy beasts. As my partner passed me on our rounds, we heard a dull muffled sound of running hoofs. Quail turned in his saddle and cried "My God, they are away." We spurred our horses in the direction of the sound, when a bright flash of lightning revealed to us that a stampede was in full swing. We succeeded in turning them back, but there was not enough of us to hold them, for they repeatedly broke out behind us. The noise was deafening, what with the pounding hoofs and rubbing horns, between the sharp cracks of thunder, you would think that hell had broken loose. We prayed that our comrades in camp would hear the stampede above the noise of the raging storm and come to our aid. The cattle had scattered some and we became separated. Shortly after I dropped out of the scene, for my horse stepped in a badger hole, of which there were many, and rolled on top of me, breaking two ribs and my collar bone. I expected to be crushed under the hoofs of the crazy Longhorns as I lay there.

I was surprised when a flash of lightning revealed to me my horse standing by with his reins trailing on the ground, and that the cattle had split and were galloping by on both sides of us. After the herd passed by, I got up and limped back to camp, leading my horse. The cook tied my arm in a sling and I went on the sick list for the next week or so.

## Chasing the Herd

SHORTLY after this, Quail, ignorant of my accident and realizing the hopelessness of our checking the stampede alone, rode back to camp and aroused the sleeping men, who turned out in a vain effort to catch up with the herd. As it was too dark to see, the search was abandoned to wait for daylight to come. Next morning the riders picked up the "drag" ten miles from camp, while the main herd had drifted back to their home range, twenty-five miles away. When the weather was fine and the cattle quiet and bedded down nicely, there was not enough action to keep warm. On stormy nights when the cattle were restless and wanted to break back, there was too much fast riding for tired men, but the shifts were short and bed and camp all the more appreciated.

Sometimes a calf was born on the trail and too young and weak to travel. In that case they were carried in the wagon, while their mothers followed behind bawling. When the wagon rumbled for the night, the calf was lifted out and allowed to join its mother standing nearby. In a few days they were strong enough to follow the herd. There would be rivers to cross, and at high water they were dangerous for man or beast. It required considerable skill and patience, getting cattle into the river. Riders would often have to swim with the cattle to prevent them from milling and turning back to shore. They always picked a horse known to be a good swimmer for this job. Many riders have been drowned when their mounts got into deep water and turned over, refusing to swim. In some rivers with sandy bottoms, quicksand claimed the lives of many riders, pinned down by

their horses' struggles in the treacherous bottom and drowned.

One Summer, while working with the Bar U wagon, we had occasion to cross a herd of cattle over to the north side of the Bow River. The river was swollen and out of its banks. We had repeatedly got the cattle in and started across, but when they struck swimming water, they would mill around and the swift current would carry them down stream, where they landed on the same side they started from. Several of the boys got mixed up with the cattle in swimming water and narrowly escaped drowning.

## Cowboys in Boat

AFTER working all morning without success, we had about given it up as a bad job when a bright idea crossed the boss' mind. If we had a man in a boat to point the cattle up stream, we might succeed in crossing them. We could get a boat from a rancher a mile down the river, so another fellow and I were sent down for it. We pulled it up to the crossing by a rope fastened to the saddle horn, one of us staying in the boat to keep it away from the shore. The next day another attempt was made to cross the cattle with the aid of the boat, which proved successful. I had the doubtful honor of piloting the boat. My role was to keep on the lower side of the herd and point them diagonally upstream, and in this I was successful, although I had some anxious moments when I got in the midst of the swimming cattle and they tried to climb into the boat. I had the satisfaction of watching the leaders head for the opposite bank, followed by the rest of the herd.

When the district covered had been cleaned of cattle, the object of the roundup was accomplished. The assembled herd was then driven back on their home range, where branding corrals had been built, and wood for the fire had been hauled. The cutting of cattle belonging to the different ranchers began. The herd was bunched up and prevented from straying by riders stationed at intervals on the outside. Reps usually had the privilege of cutting first, and often there were two or more cutting at the same time. Here can be seen a good cow horse at his best. Once shown the animal to be cut, his rider could take off his bridle and the pony would put a cow out of the herd without help from him. He seems able to sense every move and forestall it before it was made, biting the animal if it failed to move fast enough to suit him. Quick as a cat to head a dodging steer, his rider has to sit tight to stay on him. Riders were stationed a little distance away to take care of the "cut" and prevent their getting back to the main herd again. Cattle were run out on all sides of the herd and soon formed a number of small bunches. After the Reps got through cutting, their cattle were penned and the calves branded, and either turned loose or driven back to their home range.

With these small bunches out of the way, the main herd was then run in and the calves marked with the iron of the roundup owner, then turned loose. I must mention here the wonderful memory that some cowmen possess. Once they get a good look at an animal they can pick it out of a herd numbering thousands. This is one of the important points in the makeup of a good cowman, for calves often get separated from their mothers in the disturbance caused by riders in the herd. In that case he has an opportunity to show his skill. He must be accurate, for a mistake on his part might land him in jail. Branding at its best is rough, hard work, and on a hot day in the enclosed space of a corral, with the sun beating down, choked with dust kicked up by trampling hoofs, tired and sore from wrestling calves, the glamour of a cowboy's life fades, and he thinks, as he wipes the sweat off his brow, "Home was never like this." If at this time the roper should drag in a big calf caught by the neck and much harder to throw, he vents his ill humor on the calf by throwing him a little harder. This state of mind is only temporary, for he soon regains his good humor that is so typical of the average cowboy.

## It Looks Easy

FROM a spectator's point of view, perched on a corral fence, the work is very interesting. The team work displayed between horse and rider calls for his admiration. The rider, rope in hand, threading his way through the herd, spots a calf, and with a swing of his rope drops the loop around his hind legs. As the calf steps into the loop, he pulls up on the rope. At the same time his horse turns and drags the calf to the fire, where two cowboys called "wrasslers" are waiting. Lining up on each side of the rope facing each other, one catches the rope, the other the calf's tail, and with a jerk away from each other throw the calf on his side. They then hold it down. The patient is now ready for the operation. Amidst loud protests from the victim a hot iron is applied, while surgeons are busy cropping or splitting ears and cutting dewlaps. After vaccinating for blackleg, he is then released and hurries over to his mother, standing near by. Sometimes the outraged parent responds to her offspring's appeal for help by charging his tormentors, who, believing that discretion is the better part of valor, climb the fence to safety.

Before passing over the important work

of branding, we must mention the invaluable part a well-trained horse plays in this operation. If the stock to be branded are full grown, two ropers are necessary to throw and stretch out the animal. One roper catches the cow by the neck, the other by the hind legs, while his horse immediately takes up the slack in the rope by moving away. The cow is then held between the two horsemen, and in a struggle either throws herself, or a man afoot catches her by the tail and with a jerk throws her on her side. She is then stretched out by the horses backing up and is now ready for the iron.

## Dipping Cattle

IN herds quarantined for mange, dipping was done before the cattle were turned loose. Cattle went through the solution twice, from nine to eleven days apart, the second immersion to kill the eggs that are now hatched out. The vat was built near a plentiful supply of water, usually on a river bank or piped from a spring.

There were two types of vats used, the swimming vat, commonly used, and the more rare cage vat. The swimming vat was built of plank or concrete, in the form of a long tank, thirty feet or more long, just wide enough for a good sized animal to swim through without being able to turn around. The vat was built in a trench with the top of the vat level with the ground. The dirt was then filled in and packed solid. A large coil of boiler was installed to heat the solution of lime and sulphur to about 110 degrees. When in use a fire had to be kept going night and day. The standard width vat was too narrow for dipping the Mexican Longhorns (there were quite a few in the country in those days), so a specially constructed vat was used, wide enough to accommodate their spreading horns.

A pen was constructed big enough to hold the herd. This was connected to a smaller pen, where cattle are crowded into the chute leading to the jump off. Here they enter the tank and swim through the solution to the other end of the vat. There they leave by walking up an inclined chute which allows the drip off the cattle to drain back into the tank, thus saving from waste a few in the solution. The chute leads to a big pen, where they are held until they dry off. Much trouble is often experienced in persuading the first animal to jump in, once in the chute, however, ropes are placed behind them to prevent their backing out. Under the stimulus of prods from a sharp stick and much tail twining, the leader makes up his mind to jump. In he goes with a big splash, closely followed by his mates, and as long as cattle can be kept coming up the chute they will follow their leader like sheep, and little trouble is experienced.

Once in a while a small animal holds up the job by turning around and swimming back, where he meets the oncoming cattle and is nearly drowned by their jumping in on top of him. He is then turned around with the aid of a rope and follows his mates out. Two men stand on the side of the vat, using a forked stick to push the cattle under the solution to make sure all parts of the animal's anatomy are treated.

## Slower Method

THE cage vat was used by ranchers with small herds. It was a slow method, but economical because of the small quantity of solution required. It was constructed out of the same material, only square in form. A cage was built large enough to hold five or six head, according to their size. It was hoisted out of the vat with a team of horses. The same method of heating the solution was used. These systems have stood the test of time and are in use today. Dipping over and the herd turned loose, the boys turned their hands to various uses. These would be hay to put up, fences to fix, and horses to break and shoe, for your average cowboy is a jack of all trades. There is only one thing he can't and won't do, and that is walk. At that he is no different from the average car owner of today.

When frosty mornings proclaimed that Summer had passed and Winter was coming, the roundup went out on the last job of the season, that of gathering beef and weaning calves. Though cattle were fat and easy to hold, and horses rode down and quieter, there was always the odd bunch with a kink in his back to uncork on a cold morning to provide the crew with a little diversion. Night shifts were long and cold and often done in a snowstorm. In those days a steer was not considered prime until three or four years old. Then none of your forced stall-fed cattle of today were used. Trainloads of these big grass-fed steers found their way to Old Country markets.

After the last steer was shipped, there yet remained the noisy job of weaning calves. In the old days, calves ran out all winter with their mothers, but a few hard winters and attendant losses taught the ranchers the advisability of feeding and weaning calves through the winter, and sufficient hay was put up for that purpose. When calves were weaned the season's work was over and the crew paid off, with the exception of the few fortunate enough to secure a job for the winter. The wagons were then hauled to their winter berth in the ranch yard, and waited for the warm days of Summer to roll once again.



# Suburb and Country



## Thriftness in Young Pigs Essential to Hog Profits

"FREEDOM from disease and continued thriftness throughout the growing period of a pig's life are the most important factors in determining whether those engaged in the production of this industry reap a profit or experience a loss. Choice blood lines, model breed characteristics and good conformation mean but little if a pig is not healthy and vigorous. The disease problem is a serious one, particularly in the colder seasons of the year. Many of the diseases encountered have their origin in mismanagement or error in the care, housing and feeding of swine."

The above quotation has been taken from the foreword used by Dr. R. A. McIntosh, of the Ontario Veterinary College, and Professor R. G. Knox, of the Ontario Agricultural College, in introducing their bulletin "No. 387, 'Swine Diseases and Their Prevention.'" No swine producer will minimize the seriousness of the many disease losses occurring annually among young pigs, and there is little doubt that they could be cut down materially on the average farm by improved methods of management, better housing and proper feeding.

The symptoms of many of the diseases which affect swine are so similar that even the best veterinarians hesitate to offer an opinion without opportunity for laboratory examination or a post mortem. It has been generally agreed, however, that many of the more common disease conditions are secondary rather than primary, and occur usually only when the pig has been run down through one cause or another and its resistance so lowered that it is particularly susceptible to infection.

One of the most insidious conditions in humans or animals is anaemia, in that it lowers body resistance almost to the vanishing point, often without marked early symptoms. Not necessarily fatal, anaemia usually causes an extremely unthrifty condition and a severe interruption of the normal body development from which full recovery is seldom made. It is found in young pigs right across Canada and is without doubt the predisposing cause of many of the "diseases" later affecting the herd.

### Deficiency of Iron

ANAEMIA may be looked upon as an excessively watery condition of the blood. The blood is deficient in its solid constituents, its cellular content and its red coloring matter. Anaemia in suckling pigs occurs because of a deficiency of iron, one of the important elements of the red coloring matter of the blood.

Young litters of pigs grow very rapidly and the effects of a lack of iron can be seen at about the end of the first week of age. If preventive measures are not taken, they will often be badly affected by the time they are three or four weeks old. Normally, little pigs of the white breeds have a pink skin, bristles are bright and shiny, and they are playful. But when they become anaemic they may look fat and fluffy, their skin becomes a pasty white, and the bristles lose their lustre and commence to curl. At this stage, because of an impoverished blood stream, they are much more susceptible to other diseases, and as a result scours often occur, or lung trouble with coughing or pneumonia.

Anaemia can be prevented and its prevention pays much bigger dividends than later attempts to cure the condition. Especially when the litter is closely confined, the normal iron content in the blood of the young pigs is not sufficient to carry them through to the time when they begin to eat solids. Treatment consists of dosing the small pigs with iron. Adding iron to the ration of the sow has no effect as its does not come through in the milk. Spring farrowed litters which have access to a pasture or dirt yard secure part of their iron requirements from the soil and vegetable matter they pick up.

### Reduced Iron Is Best

A NUMBER of iron preparations to be given to the little pig have been recommended for the prevention of the condition; among them are reduced iron, iron oxide, and iron sulphate. Says Dr. McIntosh, "Of all these that have been tried, we at this institution favor 'reduced iron.' We believe it is most acceptable for a number of reasons. First, because of the small dosage required. Second, because its absorption is slower, there is a greater duration of effect. Third, because it is relatively inexpensive. It has no caustic or astringent action and does not interfere with digestion in any way." With this opinion in mind, and as those who have tried reduced iron have found it superior to any other iron compounds for the purpose, its use may safely be recommended.

Regarding dosage: Many practical pig men of Ontario have found that the amount of reduced iron that will stay on a small Canadian five-cent piece, given the young pig three times, or on alternate days, during the second week of its life, provides insurance against any trouble from anaemia. In fact, on many of the best pig farms every pig farrowed receives this dosage during its second week of life as a regular part of the production programme, regardless of season.

Reduced iron is easily given. The young pig is picked up under the left arm and its mouth opened with the left hand. The dose on a small spatula or spoon is dropped on the back of the tongue and the pig released in a box to separate it

from the undosed pigs. An entire litter can be treated in a very few minutes.

Various other methods of supplying iron to the young pigs have at times been advocated. Some producers apply a solution of iron sulphate to the sow's teats, hoping that the little pigs will get the necessary amounts of iron when nursing. Too often the pigs that need the iron, being rather droopy, are crowded away from the teats. Other swine men provide sops on which has been sprinkled the iron sulphate solution. While this may be useful by the time the pig is old enough to eat some quantity of the organic matter in the sops, it is a curative rather than a preventive measure, as pigs eat very little of the sops at one week old. Again prevention rather than cure should be emphasized.

Reduced iron is a very fine grey powder, for sale in most drug stores or obtainable by the local druggist on request. It usually retails at about one dollar per pound or less, and one pound will provide some 750 doses, or three treatments each for about 250 little pigs.

## Vermin-Infested Birds Fall Easy Prey to Poultry Diseases

LICE and mites are found to some extent in most farm flocks. As their presence has a direct effect upon the vigor and general condition of the flock, egg production is often seriously affected. Birds suffering from a heavy infestation of lice or mites become run down in condition and may die as a direct result of the infestation or fall easy prey to disease.

There are several species of hen lice but all of them live, feed, and breed on the birds and spend their entire life there, states W. W. Cram, assistant in live stock and poultry, poultry division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. Although hens or chickens may be seen dusting it is impossible for them to entirely rid themselves of the lice.

There are numerous powders, ointments and dips which will kill lice but all of these entail individual handling of birds which requires considerable time and labor, especially in large flocks.

During recent years nicotine sulphate (sold under various trade names) has come into general use and has proved to be the quickest, easiest and most satisfactory remedy for the control of poultry lice. This method eliminates the necessity of handling the birds or giving individual treatment, but is very effective and can be used during any season of the year.

In the evening just before the flock goes to roost nicotine sulphate is spread thinly over the upper surface of the perches. Care should then be taken to see that all birds go on the roosts and to provide reasonable ventilation from the front of the poultry house, without strong draughts. Heat from the birds causes a release of fumes from the nicotine sulphate which penetrates the feathers and kills the lice. This treatment is repeated in about ten days to kill lice which have hatched after the first treatment. Other treatments may be given as necessary.

### Control of Red Mites

THE red mite, which is actually grey in color before becoming filled with blood, is a tiny blood-sucking insect commonly found in poultry houses. Unlike lice, it lives in cracks and crevices, nests, straw, etc., and cannot be killed by ordinary treatments which are effective for lice. Mites usually attack the birds at night and after gorging with blood, retire to their hiding places. They breed very rapidly during warm weather. A heavy infestation will soon cause the flock to become thin and unthrifty, resulting in greatly reduced production in laying birds.

As mites thrive best in dark, dirty houses, the first step in their control is to remedy these conditions. The birds should first be removed to other quarters. All droppings, litter, nesting material, etc., should then be removed, floors, perches, dropping boards and nests scraped perfectly clean and all cleanings removed and burnt. The interior of the house, including all fixtures, should be thoroughly sprayed or scrubbed with a strong disinfectant solution, making certain that the solution enters every crack. This treatment should be repeated in a few days to destroy mites which hatch after the first application.

After the house has been cleaned it is advisable to periodically flood cracks in the roosts, roost supports and nest boxes during warm weather with coal oil; a mixture of coal oil and kerosene oil; or coal oil and nicotine sulphate, to keep the mites in check.

Soil upon which birds have run for years, or which is overcrowded, becomes heavily charged with droppings and acts as a favorable breeding ground for disease germs. Small earth runs should be kept sweet by liming and digging up to expose as much as possible to the beneficial action of air and sunlight.

If a bird is to make use of the foods given, it must be kept keen and fit through exercise. Hard work is provided by scratching litter in which the morning grain feed is covered over.



THESE PIGS MAY WIN THE WAR

There has been a sharp increase in Canadian bacon exports to Great Britain since the war began. Shipments of Wilshire sides, hams and other cuts from October 1 to November 15 amounted to 30,183,301 pounds, or the equivalent of 250,000 live hogs, the increase averaging over 60 per cent weekly for the period mentioned, as compared with the weekly average for the period January 1 to September 30. The Dominion Department of Agriculture regards this increase as encouraging, but believes there is room for improvement in connection with the weight and finish of hogs, as only about 36 per cent of all the Wilshire sides were of the desired weight and finish. Our picture shows (below) a fine lot of pigs and piglets of the export bacon type; (above, left) grading bacon for export to Britain; (above, right) loading Canadian bacon for shipment.

## Ontario Onion Growers Turn to Chemists in Hour of Need

By J. G. SCULLY

IT is frequently said of the farmer that he is the greatest gambler on earth. This may or may not be true of all farmers, but it comes very close to defining the status of the one-crop farmer. He, quite definitely, puts all his eggs in one basket. For this reason he has come to be peculiarly dependent upon the powerful intervention of organized industry, particularly upon that of industrial chemistry. In any problem affecting the basic productivity of his land, the farmer has learned to turn with increasing confidence to the laboratory of the soil chemist. It is just such a problem that the onion growers of Southwestern Ontario have recently posed for the technicians of the fertilizer industry.

In the neighborhood of Erieau, a coal port on Lake Erie, there are over 2,000 acres of the finest onion marsh in Canada. Much of this acreage has been gained for cultivation by dyking back the surging waters of Lake Erie, as the onion favors the rich, mucky soil of former lake beds. As a result, many of the fields lie as much as six feet below lake level. In 1929 the dykes failed, and it was three years before the valuable onion area was back in normal production. The expense of keeping these dyked-in fields free of water is enormous, but drainage is only one large item on the onion grower's cost sheet. Wind is a great danger to the young onion, it blows away the light, rich soil around the bulb. Windbreaks are built, but are often ineffective, so there is considerable loss in exposed and uprooted bulbs. Then there are the weeds which flourish virulently and attain remarkable size in this teeming soil. The onion, hardy plant though it is, cannot compete against the weed, especially in its early stages of growth.

The battle against the weeds is endless and infinitely laborious. One grower reckoned that he crawled sixteen miles through the rows on his hands and knees, and then pushed his cultivator another sixteen miles, all in three working days. Another item especially important to the onion grower is fertilization; the onion is a heavy feeder. With his overhead already tremendously high the grower must be certain of getting the maximum benefit from the soil nutrients used. At Erieau, the growers use from 500 to 1,000 pounds per acre of chemical fertilizer. The amount and type of fertilizer employed varies with the needs of the soil.

### Trials Not Yet Over

BY the time the exposed stems of the onions have achieved the proper shade of yellow, the farmer begins to see the reward of his expenditure and labor, but his trials are not yet over. After they have been pulled and their stems dried and stripped off, the onions are rolled over a grating table where they are sorted into sizes. Here the farmer endures more loss. Many onions are found to have skin-rot or heart-rot. Others show a tendency to sprout, which ruins them for the market. This sprouting tendency is endemic and even a short storage period means re-grading and more loss in rejects and labor.

After a season-long struggle with his ubiquitous and alliterative enemies, water, wind, weeds, and wastage, it is readily seen that the farmer is in no position to withstand further assault in such a vital quarter as the very soil that he tills. Nevertheless this is exactly what is hap-

pening at Erieau. Recent evidence has shown that a dangerous and mysterious inconsistency of development is creeping into some fields. It is feared that years of overcropping have removed some vital element of plant food from the soil. Such an insidious attack strikes the onion grower just where he is most vulnerable. It threatens his volume of production and the very quality of his product. It is a condition which must be dealt with quickly and conclusively.

Fortunately the grower is not without recourse. With a trustfulness justified by experience he has appealed to the experts of soil chemistry. It will not be the first time that chemical industry has led the men of agriculture out of the wilderness of difficulty into the promised land of profit. So, secure in the comfortable memory of past benefits, the Erieau farmers have left their problem in the hands of the chemists in the confident expectation that their efforts will bring a final saving solution.

## Continuous Soaking of Soil Is Damaging

NOTHING spoils the soil quicker than water which continually soaks it and never gets a chance to flow away. Have the recent rains shown up the weak spots in your garden in this respect?

You must do something about it, for if souring sets in, crops will become poor in spite of the best cultivation, and weeds will abound everywhere. A deep hole may be opened out in the garden, preferably at its lowest point. In this all stones, tins, broken crockery, etc., accumulated may be thrown. In spring a layer of turf should be laid over the rubbish, and the hole then levelled up to the height of the surrounding ground.

An alternative is to dig a drain-ditch parallel with the slope of the garden, or, if the garden is fairly level, with its bottom sloping from a depth of two to three feet. This, when partly filled with clinkers, stones, bundles of twigs, woody rubbish, etc., will act serviceably for years.

Yet another scheme is to take a crowbar and bore holes here and there. These holes gradually fill up with loose soil, but they continue to act as channels.

## Rules for Maintaining Egg Production

THE normally-hatched pullets should all be in full production now. If they originate from a good strain, each one should be turning out from three to five eggs a week.

This rate must be maintained. If it is allowed to go down it will be extremely difficult to feed up to the same rate again. There are five requirements which must be met if a continued egg supply is to be kept up:

The floor should be covered to a depth of some inches with clean, fresh, loose, dry litter and the daily feed of grain should be buried at the bottom so that the birds have to work for it.

The birds should be provided with as much mash—properly mixed—as they will eat.

Feeding hours must be regular—to keep the layers waiting for a meal, even for half an hour, has a bad effect on production.

The layers should be kept free of insect pests by regular dusting and an occasional application of nicotine sulphate paint on the perches.

Fifthly, the water provided should have the chill taken off—fowls need to drink a lot of water if they are to lay well, but they will not when it is close to freezing point.

## Alfalfa Found to Do Well In Coast Districts of B.C.

ALFALFA shows promise of becoming an important hay crop in many of the coast districts of British Columbia, although it was formerly believed that the high rainfall and consequent soil conditions of such areas would preclude the use of this crop. Experience has shown, however, that where proper soil management practices, particularly those concerned with drainage and liming, have been followed, no serious difficulty is to be encountered in establishing a stand of alfalfa, states M. F. Clarke, of the Experimental Farm, Agassiz.

To insure a good stand, the field selected for alfalfa should possess the following characteristics:

1. Good surface and subsoil drainage.
2. A plentiful supply of lime.
3. A good state of fertility.
4. Freedom from weeds.
5. Good physical condition or tilth.

The first two conditions listed are of fundamental importance in establishing a stand of alfalfa and should, therefore, receive first consideration. While good drainage reduces soil acidity to a marked degree it is almost invariably a wise practice, under coast conditions, to apply ground limestone at two tons per acre before sowing alfalfa. The remaining conditions can be secured most readily by preceding alfalfa with a hoed crop.

In fields where alfalfa has not been grown before inoculating the seed with a culture of alfalfa bacteria immediately before sowing is recommended. Cultures of bacteria together with directions for making the inoculation may be purchased from any reliable seed firm.

### Two Popular Varieties

A present Grimm is perhaps the most popular of readily obtainable commercial varieties. Ontario Variegated is also widely sown under coast conditions.

From fifteen to twenty pounds of seed per acre is the recommended rate of seeding. Under particularly favorable conditions, however, ten pounds per acre has given satisfactory stands.

Sowings in humid districts, particularly on the lighter soils, should be made without a nurse crop, as alfalfa cannot stand a great deal of competition in the seedling

stage. Observations at Agassiz indicate that the nurse crop provides strong competition for the young seedlings and at the time is not very effective in suppressing weed growth.

Fertilizer may be applied to advantage prior to seeding. Superphosphate broadcast at 300 pounds per acre just before sowing is the generally recommended treatment. On very light soils, however, a mixed fertilizer such as 0-12-10 applied at 500 pounds per acre is preferable.

Seeding may be carried out to advantage during the latter half of April or the first half of May. Moisture is abundant during this period and in normal seasons sufficient time has elapsed to permit the preparation of a satisfactory seed bed in addition to checking early weed growth.

### Deep Friable Seed Bed

AFTER a deep friable condition has been achieved the seed bed should be rolled immediately before sowing. Broadcast seeding, either by hand or with the clover seed attachment to the grain drill, is the most effective method. Immediately after seeding, the ground is harrowed and rolled. In cases where there is a tendency toward crust formation the surface of the rolling should be lightly broken, with a brush harrow or a tilling harrow.

During the seedling year weed species such as Barnyard millet and Shepherd's Purse are frequently troublesome. These are best controlled by clipping as soon as the alfalfa has reached a height of eight or ten inches. More than one clipping per season may be possible. The last clipping should, however, be made sufficiently early to provide eight inches of growth at the end of the growing season.

In subsequent years grass species tend to be the most serious competitors of the alfalfa stand. Once the alfalfa plants have established a strong root system it is a good practice to give the field a thorough treatment with the spring-tooth harrow early in the Spring of each year. This treatment is effective in removing sod-forming grasses and does not cause serious damage to the alfalfa. A well established field of alfalfa can withstand a tremendous amount of rough treatment in the early Spring.

## Ordinary Chemicals for Pesticide Purposes And Their Names

THE term "pesticide" is a new one adopted by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, and means any product represented or used for controlling pests of any kind, such as insects, fungi, bacteria, weeds, rodents, etc. The brand names used for pesticides are confined by regulation under the Pest Control Products Act to define limits. If the product is essentially a chemical its brand name must be its ordinary chemical name. For example, the brand name of lead arsenate must be "lead arsenate," and not some other name which members of the trade may wish to use. The purpose of this requirement is to protect the public against being sold the usual chemical materials for pesticide purposes under other names at extravagant prices, or in a diluted state that might impair results from the product.

Under the regulations mentioned, about eighty-five chemical materials used as pesticides are named and defined, and the trade is required to conform with these names and definitions. The list includes most of the more common materials containing arsenic, chlorine, carbon, copper, fluorine, sulphur, plant alkaloids such as strychnine, rotenone and pyrethrum, the various coal tar disinfectants and the spray oils.

Another part of the same regulation requires that when pesticides are a mixture of different materials the brand names must appropriately and truly indicate the purpose of the product. Examples are: Fumigant, rodent poison, weed killer, contact insecticide, stomach insecticide.

Registration and sale under the Act of any pesticide is not permitted, unless the chemical content in conjunction with the claims made for the product, and the directions for its use, indicate definitely that it will be satisfactory.

## Tell-Tale Teeth Reveal The Age of the Cow

FARMERS use several methods in telling a cow's age, but perhaps the most reliable is by noting the appearance, development and wear of her permanent teeth, which are fully developed at five years of age. Cattle have eight incisor teeth. They are all in the lower jaw, the centre pair sometimes being called the "pinners." Next to the pinners are the first intermediates, then the second intermediates, and finally the corner teeth.

At birth a calf has two or more incisors, and after the first month, the eight make their appearance. They are temporary and are replaced gradually. By the end of two years, the middle pair, or pinners, are replaced by permanent teeth. From six months to a year later the permanent first

intermediates are cut, being fully developed as a rule at three years of age. At three and one-half years the second intermediates are cut. They are on a level with the first intermediates and begin to show wear when the cow is four years old. At four and a half to five years the corner teeth are replaced by permanent, and by this time the cow has a full set of permanent teeth.

Between five and six years, the pinners become levelled, the first and second intermediates are partially levelled, and the corner teeth begin to show wear. The arch-shaped row of incisors now begins to lose its contour. Between seven and eight years, the pinners are definitely worn, from eight to nine, the intermediates, and by ten years the corner teeth are likewise shorter, and by twelve years the arch of the teeth becomes practically straight. Meanwhile, the teeth have become triangular with spaces in between and show increasing wear with advancing age.

## Low Fertilizer Grades Cancelled by Boards

IT took a war to do it, but now the provincial fertilizer advisory boards can lay down the law limiting the number and formulae of fertilizer mixtures which may be manufactured and offered for sale within their respective territories during 1940. The Fertilizer Supply Committee, established under the War Measures Act, undertakes to enforce the rulings of the fertilizer boards.

These boards have endeavored for years to effect a reduction in the number of fertilizer mixtures on the market, by recommending only those of higher grade and well balanced formulae, adapted to the needs of various crops and soils. But their efforts were frustrated by certain farmers who continued to demand the cheaper (?) low grade brands and by manufacturers who could not turn down an order, knowing that if they did, another would get the business.

According to B. Leslie Emslie, chemist-agronomist, the amazing total of sixty-five different mixed fertilizer formulae were registered in Canada during 1939. For general field crops in 1940 there will be less than twenty. Ontario has approved ten, Quebec seven, and the Maritime Provinces eight. This means fifteen in all, as some of the brands 0-16-6, 2-12-6, 2-16-6, 4-8-10 are common to all territories.

The reduction in number of brands will enable the manufacturer to operate his plant more efficiently and economically, offsetting in a considerable measure the increased costs of raw materials, labor and freight. Besides, the farmer will be assured of better fertilizer and better service.

Birds which are forced to stand about to be buffeted by wind and drenched with rain quickly lose condition and develop colds, bronchitis, cramp, rheumatism, and leg weakness. Comfortable housing will certainly prevent these unnecessary ailments.



# A Page For CHILDREN



## The Snowman's Broadcast

By HERMIA HARRIS FRASER

JASPER Miles gazed longingly from behind the wood pile at the small hut in Sam White's back yard.

It was such an interesting place, full of figures the boys had made out of snow, birds and animals, and just behind the hut a dandy snowman with a tall black hat tilted over his beaming, cross-eyed face.

"If I could only belong to Sam's club," Jasper sighed, scooping up a handful of snow, "but nobody can join except boys who live on Ivy Hill, and we're blocks away."

Jasper was a sturdy little boy of nine, with black hair. He was pale because he had been ill a long time and had lived a lot indoors.

Shouts of laughter reached him from Sam's club house. Jasper didn't dare go near the hut. At any minute the door might burst open and the boys rush at him and duck him in the snow.

But the hut had become too warm and the boys opened the door. Now their voices reached him plainly. Sam was shouting.

"The time has come to make our New Year resolutions. Todd, you're first. How about it?"

Todd was a fat, lazy boy who looked as if he never stopped eating. Jasper listened with a grin for Todd's answer. Surely Todd had loads of faults to correct.

"Let-me-see—" drawled the fat boy. "No, I can't say I can think of anything."

"I can suggest something," said Sam.

"Not eating so much at meals," shouted the club members in a single breath.

"I'll put you down for that, anyway," Sam decided. "Only six slices of toast from now on for breakfast. And remember, Todd, if you're caught eating more, you're fined two cents."

Jasper held his sides to keep in his laughter.

"Who's there?" cried Sam.

Jasper was quiet as a mouse, watching a drop of water drip down the Snowman's nose. Then his bright idea came to him. Wouldn't it be worth a ducking to make the boys think the Snowman was talking?

"If I only had a long pipe to push from this wood pile into the Snowman's feet," thought Jasper.

Suddenly he was flying down the street to Mr. Newman's cottage. The old man was a friend of Jasper's and understood when little boys needed things quickly.

"Yes, you can have this worn piece of hose," Mr. Newman told Jasper. "I don't need it any longer."

## The British Cat Which Had Three Shipwrecks

TAWNY is an out-and-out British cat. No cat other than British could have survived three shipwrecks.

His present adventure began with the torpedoing of his ship, the Fleetwood trawler Caldw. One of the crew went to save their cat and in so doing had to abandon all his belongings. The crew and the cat were thus adrift in the ship's boat, hoping to be somehow picked up.

A little later two German destroyers stopped the Swedish ship and took off the crew of the Caldw, but refused to take Tawny.

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## The New Year's Party



LORE looked at the little animals gathered round the table, each with his plate, knives and forks before him. "This is the last day of the old year," said the kindly Spirit of Woodcraft. "Today marks the end of one year and the beginning of another. Many people will make resolutions, called New Year's resolutions, some of which they will keep and others they will not."

Robert Robin looked puzzled. "What's a resolution, Lore?" he asked.

Lore paused long enough to rub his chin before he answered. "Well, a resolution in this case means a promise to yourself to do something better during the coming year. If I said I would be very kind to you during the year 1940, that would be a resolution. Or, if you said you would help your mother more during the New Year, that would be a resolution. Do you see what I mean?"

"Yes, I see, Lore. And I think it is a very good idea," laughed Robert. "Let's all make a resolution."

"Fine, Robert," agreed Lore. "Suppose you start."

Robert rested his chin in his hands thoughtfully. "Umm, this takes a little thinking; I want to resolve something I can keep. I know! I'll help mother with the dishes every evening during 1940."

"Fine," applauded Lore. "Excellent, Robert."

"I think I will make a resolution too, Lore," announced Danny Raccoon. "I will not touch any of the goldfish at the man's house for a whole year—as an afterthought he added, 'unless I get too hungry.'"

"Sorry, Danny, but that is not good enough," said Lore. "Either you make a resolution, or you don't. No strings, please."

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## The Rhinoceros

The Original Bonehead

By RAN TERSEN

IN 1513, a live rhinoceros was sent from India to the King of Portugal. What a stir it caused in Europe! People flocked to the Portuguese court to see the strange beast that had a horn growing from its nose rather than from its forehead, as is the case with all other horned animals.

Of the five distinct kinds of rhinos, those from India and Java have but one horn. African varieties have two, three and even four horns growing from the nose, while one freak specimen was reported with five horns.

Although the animal's sense of sight is very poor, his powers of detecting odors are very keen, and once he has caught a whiff of his enemy he will charge with the velocity of an express train. However, the creature can sleep with comparative safety, thanks to his ever-alert bodyguard

of rhinoceros birds, who warn of impending danger by screeching and flapping their wings.

Mr. Rhino is the world's original bonehead! His thick skull will even turn aside a bullet from a high-powered rifle. But the heavily folded hide of the animal is not as tough as it looks. When freshly skinned, the hide can be cut almost as easily as cheese.

The horn from this juggernaut of the warm plains has many strange uses in different countries. In China, it is regarded as an infallible cure for all kinds of fevers and the demand for horns for this medicinal purpose is so great that it is worth more than \$100 per inch. In mediaeval days, when poisoning was a fine art, it was believed that a cup made of rhinoceros horn would betray the presence of a poison by showing fine droplets of dew on the outside of the cup.

## The Laughing Bird

Did you ever hear a bird laugh? If you lived on the Atlantic coast you would be able to hear these loud cries of mirth and laughter.

If you looked for the origin of this great merriment you would see a beautiful congregation of laughing gulls, either on the seashore sunning themselves, or in the water swimming gracefully in large flocks.

The laughing gull, a member of the gull family, of which there are about fifty species, lives on the seacoast as do most of the gulls. They are web-footed and excellent swimmers.

In spite of the fact that these birds swim so well their diving is very poor. They cannot dive under the water for a choice bit of seafood, but must wait for something to come to the surface. Sometimes the laughing gull waits for another bird who is a first-rate diver to bring up a choice fish. Then this watchful gull will take on the head of the other bird and

lift its fish away—snatch it right out of its bill.

The laughing gulls are about sixteen inches long. Their general appearance is white with a slate grey mantle and a black hood. The laughing gull builds its nest low, often by merely making a hollow in the sand. Sometimes the nests are hidden in tall grasses or vines.—Dorothea K. Gould.

## Games and Tricks

### A Color Test

YOU can easily "catch" your friends with magic spots of color.

Cut out three pieces of thin white cardboard the size of a playing card. Paint two spots the size of a dime on each card, making the spots three-fourths of an inch from top and bottom of the card. Make two black spots on the first card; one yellow and one green on the second card; also one yellow and one green on the third card.

Now you are ready for the "catch."

Arrange the cards in the shape of a fan. Green spot, yellow spot and two black spots. Mix the cards face down, and ask one of your friends to pick out the yellow spot card. He always picks the green spot.

The secret of the catch lies in taking up the chosen card and covering one spot with your thumb.

### "Hop-Chicken"

THIS game is a favorite with Chinese children. Each must have twelve sticks or pieces of wood about six inches in length. These are laid in a row on the ground, nearly a foot and a half apart.

Each player stands at the top of his own row, and at a given signal he tucks up one leg and hops over the sticks to the end. Then he kicks away the last stick, turns, hops back again, kicks away the top stick, and repeats until only one stick remains. The one who succeeds in doing this first is the winner.

An important rule is that the hopping leg may only be changed twice during the whole time. Any player who changes oftener, over-balances or kicks the wrong stick out of position is disqualified.

Why may carpenters reasonably believe there is no such thing as a free lunch? Because they never saw it.

## BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!



# Great Britain and the Dominions Overseas

## London Theatre Headaches Pass As Year Closes

Looked Like Hard Winter for British Stage as War Started—Situation Has Improved a Lot—Houses Packed for Musical Shows—Radio Also More Entertaining

LONDON (BUP).—The end of 1939 sees dawn breaking over the London stage after the blackest night it has ever experienced. The Great War produced no conditions to parallel those of the first few weeks after September 3 when authorities, fearing death from the skies, closed up the West End. The Great War brought gold to the theatre. The second, initially, brought headaches.

The suburbs were scarcely affected, but it took weeks for the larger theatres to pull themselves up again. Variety shows and revues experienced the earliest comeback, but producers were a bit nervous about serious plays until a successful experiment with J. B. Priestley's "Music at Night" showed a populace had not become completely flippant.

Most remarkable feature of the wartime theatre was the popularity of the ballet, usually considered sufficiently highbrow to appeal to only a small section of the customers. Five ballets enjoyed a fine Autumn season, including Ram Gopal's Hindu Dancers whose art is so stylized that few expected the troupe to get beyond first base.

### MUSIC SOLDIERS

Musical shows, the traditional soldier's delight, enjoyed packed houses. Most of those on the boards before hostilities broke out survived, and new ones, some of them hastily written to meet topical conditions, packed them to the doors.

On Saturday nights it became difficult to buy seats at box office. Two members of the Canadian Press London staff early in December tried three theatres before they found one with any seats left. They finally wound up in the Phoenix, seeing Elmer Rice's "Judgment Day," a piece about dictators.

"Music listeners found themselves almost concertless at the beginning of the war due to restrictions imposed on large assemblies, but the London Philharmonic and the Albert Hall orchestras gave them some relief on Sunday afternoons.

The National Gallery went to the rescue a little later by staging lunch-time concerts for those who could spend an hour or so in the middle of the day from the customary two-hour meal interval. British favor. The concerts were well attended, so well that it was common to see patrons sitting in groups on the floor after the seating accommodation was exhausted.

Most trying to those who spent evenings at home was the early wartime radio. It carried nothing but official announcements, repetitions, news bulletins and phonograph records. After the first two months, however, live productions crept back with dance bands, plays and other things the public here likes.

Radio plays produced a new star. Marius Goring, twenty-eight-year-old stage actor who specializes in neurotic parts. Goring, noted previously only in the West End, became an internationally known figure for his portrayal of Hitler in the eight Empire and Home service broadcasts the B.B.C. arranged to illustrate the growth of Nazism in Germany.

All in all the entertainment world wound up the year with no complaints. The Autumn season was described as the best in five years, and there appeared every likelihood that succeeding seasons would be as good or better as soldiers returned from France on leave.

## MISTAKE GIVES DOCTOR CHANCE

Government Appointment Comes to Novice Instead Of London Specialist

LONDON (BUP).—A young London doctor, who only a few months ago was barely able to pay his office rent, now holds a high Government position—and all because of a mistake.

Shortly after the outbreak of war, he received a letter from the Ministry of Health appointing him to take charge of a children's department outside of London.

Almost overcome with surprise and joy at being recognized by the Government, the young man left London to take up his new post.

Later it was discovered that it was a well-known Harley Street specialist of the same name for whom the letter was intended, but by this time the young doctor was making such a good job of his new work that his appointment was regularized.

## Big Hailstones Are Destructive In Cape Storm

CAPE TOWN (BUP).—Hailstones as large as seven inches in diameter fell in a storm at Peddie, Cape of Good Hope, smashing every pane of glass in the town that faced west. Fruit trees were stripped and several children were injured.

## WIRELESS BIG IN AIR FORCE

Principal Means of Communication Means Stiff Training for Pilots.

TRENTON (CP).—Wireless telegraphy is one of the important accessory branches of military aviation, and at the Royal Canadian Air Force station here a fully equipped wireless school is maintained. The school can provide instruction for 180 airmen and eighteen officers at once.

Wireless is the chief means of communication between aircraft and their ground stations. On occasion it is used in army co-operation work when airmen assist gunners in directing their fire by observing the accuracy of the enemy and passing on the information to the artillerymen.

While every flying officer must have some knowledge of wireless telegraphy, the special Air Force tradesmen are wireless operators and wireless operator-mechanics. The former must attain a speed of twenty words per minute on Morse transmission and the latter a speed of twenty-five words a minute.

The wireless operator-mechanics must also know how to install and repair wireless apparatus in aircraft. For this purpose a few wireless aircraft are kept in the wireless school and the students practice on them by installing and removing sets and their wiring. Each wireless operator must have four hours actual operations in the air to his credit before he can qualify for his rank.

## LOOKING AFTER THEIR WELFARE

Scheme of War Minister Helps to Humanize Conditions in Army

LONDON (BUP).—Old-timers may sniff loudly at the proposed "sissy" arrangement of welfare officers for the troops, but War Minister Hore Belisha is determined to humanize the present-day army conditions, and welfare officers is one of his new schemes in this direction.

They are intended to act as liaison officers between the men abroad and their families at home, and are ready to dry Tommies' tears at a moment's notice.

If his girl friend is not playing fair, or his wife can't pay the rent, or any old thing at home is going wrong, the welfare officer will get in touch and find out what wheels need oiling.

His second duty is to bridge the gulf between men and officers by arranging social events which will bring men and officers into contact and develop an understanding between them.

And all the credit for this thoughtfulness goes to War Minister Hore Belisha.



HELP DURING BLACK OUT

White Alsatian dogs are being bred and trained in England to act as guides and guards during the black out period. Lonely townspeople evacuated to the country are finding them a great help. This picture shows a "black out" dog at work at night.

## A Joyful Reunion Somewhere in England



See the Children? Excursions Are the Latest in British Travel Circles. Special Rates Are Offered Parents for Trips to See Their Youngsters Who Were Removed to the Country When War Began. This Welcome Took Place Somewhere in England.

## South Africans Feel War Closer Than to Any Other Dominion

Troops in Training, Darkened Lights on Coasts Keep Union Mindful of Her Place in Cross-Roads of Trade

PRETORIA (BUP).—Back in khaki, thousands of South Africans are joining the army to defend their country and its neighbors should they be attacked. Already war has come closer to the Union of South Africa with its white population of 2,043,000 people than to any other British Dominion.

Dark lighthouses, silent fog signals, and strong coastal look-outs make citizens realize their country is not at peace, and their sight of troop training makes them realize they are in a different kind of war than those their fathers fought. Gone forever are the days when Boer farmers armed and rode the veldt. They still live armed, but when the buglers' army is called to action it rides in mechanized transport vehicles.

At the cross-roads of trade between the East and the West South Africa feels because of her own wealth in treasure and goods that her job is to defend herself against the British and foreign neighbors and stay out of Europe.

In 1923, South Africa, lacking a navy, undertook to arm and man land defenses at the "battlement-proof" British naval stations at Capetown and Durban and the "cruiser-proof" defenses of Port Elizabeth, East London and Walvis Bay.

MANHOOD SERVICES In the supposition that the country would be attacked from land as well as by sea military authorities put the burghers' army out in the bushveldt for exercises and developed specialized mechanical transport to cope with some of the toughest country in the world. The forces are well armed, schooled in machine and Bren gun work, educated as military technicians in the modern army style.

Every fit man between the ages of seventeen and sixty is liable for military services if needed. Most have had some training in the burghers' army which corresponds to Canada's non-permanent active militia. As in Canada, the permanent force is a small body to serve as the nucleus of an army when one is needed.

South Africa decided early to take no part in the air training scheme being established in Canada. The Union had accelerated its own training scheme three times, and felt it was in a better position to train pilots, gunners, bombers and photographers at the beginning of the war than was Canada.

QUESTION OF NATIVES The Union, feeling its responsibility as a welfare state over the welfare of 8,000,000 people, including blacks, has always adopted the attitude that natives will not be called to fight in a white man's war. Partly this has been dictated by the misgivings it would be unwise to arm black men in a land where they outnumber whites four to one.

Nevertheless native chiefs say their people are extremely loyal to the Union and strongly held by a personal bond with the Royal Family. Some remember the repressive rule under which their people lived before 1914 in German Southwest Africa, the harsh treatment they suffered and the condition of virtual slavery under which they lived. German propaganda, poured

## ARMY MAIL IS WELL HANDLED

Men Work With Cheerfulness and Efficiency in Cramped Quarters

LONDON (BUP).—How army mail is handled in a branch field postoffice, "Somewhere in France," is described by a war correspondent of The London Daily Telegraph.

The writer is greatly impressed with the efficiency and cheerfulness of the twenty-five men who every day receive and dispatch letters, parcels and money orders for more than 12,000 troops, despite cramped premises and inadequate equipment.

The improvised postoffice is situated in what once was the concert hall of a small French village. The sorters sit in packing cases, facing masses of letters stacked on roughly put together stretchers. There is no automatic cancelling machine and all incoming letters must be stamped by hand.

Letters normally reach the front sectors four days after being posted in England. The period of transit is as follows: Through the army postoffice at home to port of embarkation, twenty-four hours; to base at French port across channel, twenty-four hours; from base port to railroad in front sectors, forty-eight hours.

## CITY HALL IS USED FOR SUPREME COURT

BRISBANE (BUP).—A raid on a meeting of the Labor Party in Queensland Parliament House had its sequel in remarkable scenes in the huge city hall, where the main hall was transformed into a supreme court for the trial of thirty-eight men who took part in the raid.

The prosecution alleged the men had constituted themselves into an unlawful assembly for an attack on the liberty of elected representatives. But they were found not guilty and discharged.

The accused men, including a clergyman, marched in double file to the supreme court and sat in ticketed seats.



TAKES OVER NEW DUTIES

Lord Nuffield, Britain's famous automobile magnate and philanthropist, has been given complete control of the Repairs and Maintenance Section of the R.A.F. Above we see him discussing his duties with Sir Kingsley Wood (seated) at the Air Ministry.

## Spectacular Sprint Made by Business in Year's Last Months

Position of Farm, Factory and General Industry at Year-End Big Factor for National Prosperity in 1940

CANADIAN business swung into a spectacular sprint in the closing months of 1939, partly on the stimulus of war's demands, passing the 1938 level and giving promise of setting a new all-time peak in 1940. Industrial production, in fact, attained a new Canadian volume in the last quarter of the year, showing output fully a third greater than for the corresponding period of 1938.

## PLAN WELCOME FOR SOLDIERS

War Hospitality Committee Arranges Organized Care For Overseas Men

LONDON (BUP).—Plans for the reception of Naval, Army and Air Force contingents from overseas, and of individual men and women offering their services, are being made by a war hospitality committee appointed by the Joint Empire Societies.

The committee, under the chairmanship of Field Marshal Lord Milne, are arranging to establish hostels in London and in important training centres where concentrations of men from overseas are expected. In addition, the committee proposes to organize the private hospitality which some of the societies have carried on in times of peace.

A central register of information is being set up in London which will provide information on hotels, clubs, restaurants, entertainments and other matters. A handbook containing essential addresses is being published for distribution to officers and men if possible before they leave their home country.

An appeal for funds to carry on this work is being made by the Joint Empire Societies, and contributions may be sent to the headquarters of the committee at the Royal Empire Society, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C.2.

## THREE BANKS IN ONE DAY HIS BAG

HERTFORD (BUP).—Francis Goode, forty-nine, describing himself as a journalist, ex-Dartmoor convict, dressed himself in a colonel's uniform and "was astute and audacious enough to persuade three banks to part with sums totalling \$5,000 within twenty-four hours.

Eight charges were laid against him, so now he faces six more years at Dartmoor. His system was something like this:

The bank manager would receive a letter supposedly from the War Office, saying that Colonel L. S. Nevill would be paying into an account at the bank and would be allowed to draw on it. Later Goode appeared in uniform, handed in a "cheque" for a large sum and drawing out a somewhat smaller amount.

## EXPENSIVE STAMP

LONDON (BUP).—An unused Newfoundland sixty-cent airmail stamp was sold at auction here for \$1350. It was one of 300 issued to mark the trans-Atlantic flight of the Italian Marchese de Pinedo from Newfoundland in 1927.

The improvement in the first half of the year over the same months of 1938 was on a conservative scale, but the Summer and Fall months brought more definite evidence that the slump from the 1937 peak was but an intermediate recession in a major upward trend. The sharp rally in the war months of 1939 lifted the general average for 1938, about 8 per cent higher than that of 1938.

The long period of uncertainty preceding the outbreak of hostilities had fostered a hand-to-mouth policy in Canadian business. The rush to enlarge inventories immediately following the war declaration moved the wheels of industry into high gear even before war orders began to make their appearance.

## FARM CROPS BOOST

The heavy field crops, valued at about \$645,000,000, and the best since 1930, along with the consistent prosperity of the mining industry had stimulated Canadian trade before the war started. Retail sales around October 1 indicated a pick-up of better than 5 per cent over 1938, and the tempo continued to rise as the Fall advanced. Department store sales and wholesale order bookings were up 15 to 20 per cent by December 1. The 1939 Christmas trade was in record figures, according to the statistics authorities. Collection in Western Canada in the Fall months were reported to be the best in twenty years.

Practically all departments of Canadian industry were on an upward trend in the last quarter of 1939 except building and logging. The war rocked many lines out of their accustomed grooves; but on the whole the upheaval was more beneficial than detrimental.

Decline of the Canadian dollar in New York put a premium of 10 per cent or more on the value of Canadian gold, assuring producers of extra income, sufficient, perhaps, to cover the prospective rise of mining costs. Canadian production of gold from 155 mills in 1939 was estimated at \$183,000,000, compared with \$168,529,156 in 1938, an increase of about 10 per cent. Towards the end of the year the mines were receiving about \$38.50 an ounce for gold in Canadian currency.

## SIMILAR BENEFIT

Other metal production, marketed outside the Dominion, benefited similarly from the exchange factor, but the base metal mines received their chief lift from an undertaking given by the British Government to buy Canada's entire production for the duration of the war. Canada exported 505,662,000 pounds of copper in eleven months of 1939, compared with 514,012,700 in eleven months of 1938, showing a minor decline. Nickel exports were up 20 per cent in the same months, and zinc exports 13 per cent. Mineral production totals all show gains. Coal production increased by 7.7 per cent.

## Pig Cannot Claim All Bacon Now

LONDON (BUP).—Not always does bacon come from the pig—now. It is quite likely to have originated as a shoulder of mutton.

For mutton bacon, for many years a well-known form of food in the remote parts of Scotland and Wales, is likely to be introduced.

The Food Ministry is experimenting with the commodity.

## Force Hoarders To Give Up Store

SINGAPORE (BUP).—Employees of a British firm in Singapore who hoarded sixty-six cases of whisky and gin in one week, apparently in anticipation of a dry season, have been forced to return most of their store to the dealers.

Another European was heard to boast he had accumulated a stock of 200 tins, each containing fifty cigarettes. Officers heard about it, and he, too, was asked to return his supply to the dealers.

Now the Food Controller has threatened action against those who hoarded goods, whether essential foodstuffs or luxuries.